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FRANÇOIS DE BRUYN OF "BRUYNENSBURG," NEW UTRECHT, L. I.
AND HIS DE MOUCHERON ANCESTORS

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Messire Jean de Moucheron, Lord of Boulay, had decided that his son Pierre, the youngest of his twelve children, was to follow a business career. In 1530, at the age of twenty-two, Pierre left the ancestral castle at Foussy le Parcq near Verneuil, Normandy (north-west of Chartres), to set sail for the Netherlands. The well-wishes of his father and friends, and the prayers of his mother, were to be fulfilled in a manner undreamt of when he set out to conquer the world. During the closing half of the century, the name de Moucheron was to be known in every port of the seven seas and held in equal regard at the court of Queen Elizabeth and by Czar Ivan "the Terrible," ruler of the Muscovite empire. The turn of the century, however, brought disaster. It is a fascinating story of romance, vision, great success, and finally of failure.

Pierre's decision to set out for the Netherlands had been influenced by the fact that he was an ardent believer in the new doctrines of the Reformation which not so many years before his departure had started their onward sweep and which already counted numerous adherents in all parts of Europe. Pierre de Moucheron was bound for Middelburg, the great seaport of the Netherlands in the province of Zeeland. It is hard to realize that this ancient city, at present a pleasing, small but busy town which still clings more than any other place in the country to its picturesque old-world atmosphere, was at one time a great commercial center to which came wealthy merchants from near and afar. Many of its beautiful buildings date back to those old days of glory. At a later date it became the home of the English Society of Merchant Adventurers and the asylum for many persecuted Protestant Christians from France and the Spanish Netherlands (the Belgium of to-day). Here Pierre was apprenticed in the office of his countryman, an important merchant, Anthoine de Gerbier, a burgher of Middelburg since 1512, whose seventeen-year-old daughter Isabeau

Pierre was to marry in 1535; whereupon he was admitted to the burgherright of the city of his adoption the following year. A member of his wife's family, Balthasar de Gerbier, Knight, Baron Douveley (1592-1667) was in later years a well-known figure, Librarian for Buckingham diplomatic agent at Brussels, friend of Rubens, adventurer and miniature painter.

De Moucheron's business ventures met with success and ten years later he had become one of the leading and richest merchants of Middelburg. However, commerce was declining there, due to various reasons, and in 1545, following the example of many others, Pierre decided to settle at Antwerp, the great commercial metropolis of Northern Europe, a short distance from Middelburg. His mercantile enterprises flourished and he became a leading figure of the great city. In the Ammanstreet he built himself a large house proudly emblazoned with the rather unusual arms of his family: in a silver field a blue fleur-de-lis shown in four detached parts. But his pride in ancestry and success was heightened by the fact that he had no less than twenty children. In the Fyksmuseum at Amsterdam there is a painting dating from 1563 by an anonymous artist of the Dutch school which represents the entire family at the dinner table. The ages of the children are indicated over their respective heads. Three years after the picture was painted, Pierre de Moucheron was gathered to his fathers.

Of the children of Pierre, we shall follow the story of three sons, mentioning his namesake and eldest son last; for it is from him that the American settler, François de Bruyn, traces his descent, due to the fact that the latter's grandfather, also named François de Bruyn, married Marguérite, a daughter of Pierre de Moucheron, Junior. It is of interest to relate that the blessings of a large family seem to have been inherited by the de Mouchérons. Two of Pierre the Elder's daughters presented their husbands with fourteen children each. Even François de Bruyn, Senior, had eleven children by Marguérite de Moucheron, and his grandson, the American settler, had a family of ten children.

Balthasar de Moucheron, the fourth son of Pierre the Elder, became the most famous member of the family and its nominal head. He was born at Antwerp in 1552 and continued with his brothers his father's trade activities, after the latter's death in 1567. A branch office was established in Vlissingen-Flushing, Zeeland, and it was through his energy and foresight, ably supported by his brothers, that the firm of de Moucheron became one of the most important in Antwerp. He remained there, even though a staunch supporter of William the Silent and of the cause of the Dutch Republic. At the surrender of Antwerp to the Spanish in 1585, he took a leading

part in the peace negotiations, and afterwards left for the Dutch Republic with thousands of other merchants, professional men and artisans, and established himself at Middelburg. Here, and later at Veere, north of Middelburg, to which he removed in 1598, he became one of the great merchant princes of his day.

His fleet, manned by a thousand sailors, sailed the seven seas, to the Levant, the Indies, Africa, and the Americas. He took possession in his own name of the Isola del Principe or Princen Island, to be used as a stop-over place on the voyage to the East. Until finally this outpost had to be abandoned for lack of a suitable settlement, he bore the title of Marquess of Princen Island, a title for which he had received a grant. He was a staunch believer in the possibility of a North-East passage to the East Indies, and equipped an expedition to establish his theory. More of this will be told in the story of his brother Melchior. The Moucheron's Hook was named for him. In 1600 he requested the Estates General of the Dutch Republic to grant him a monopoly for trading with the Indies, but was refused. But the East India Company, of which he became a director at its founding, granted him exclusive trading rights for certain territories. He visited Brazil in behalf of Prince Maurice of Orange-Nassau, and was one of the great commercial leaders of the young republic.

He occupied a beautiful house at Middelburg and a country place at Grypskerke near by. Both of these became later the property of the famous statesman-poet, Sir Jacob Cats, Knight. But his favorite retreat was his large study next to his business office. Here, surrounded by maps, globes, nautical instruments and a veritable museum filled with the treasures brought him by his sea captains from the four corners of the earth, and a library consisting mainly of books of travel and geography, he dreamed of worlds to conquer.

The beginning of the century brought tragedy. Successive reverses occurred. Several of his large investments proved to be unsuccessful. The founding of the East India Company had restricted his individual trading and in a few years he faced ruin. Broken in spirit, unable to face life among his former associates, he returned to the land of his forefathers, and it is not even known where and when he died. With him went his second wife, Jonckvrouwe Elisabeth Berwout van Cromvliet, with their two children and his two daughters and a son by his first wife, Jacqueline de la Croix dict Drumez.

In 1606 his wife, acting as his attorney, was engaged to recover her husband's interest in a shipment from the East consisting of valuable precious stones. In the list which covers three large sheets of paper appear, among many other items, a diamond of 16 carats and one of 12

1/2 carats, valued respectively at 16,666 and 10,000 guilders, a white ruby of 20 carats, and a topaz of 13 carats.

Balthasar's brother Melchior (it was a common practice among devout Calvinists to name their sons after the Magi or Three Wise Men of the East: Balthasar, Melchior and Caspar) was in 1584 the leader of an expedition to the North, financed by Balthasar. He reached the delta of the Iwina River, where the de Moucheron Bay was named in the family's honor, and where he established himself at Archangel. Here the Dutch traders soon surpassed the English, already established there, in their volume of trade. Ecuyer Melchior de Moucheron, as he now styled himself, became a frequent visitor at the court of Czar Ivan, where he was highly regarded. It was through his influence that Russia contracted a successful commercial treaty with the Dutch Republic. The Dutch influence in Russia remained powerful for a considerable period, and was still evident when in later years Czar Peter the Great took up his residence in the Netherlands to become conversant with the ship-building trade. On his return to Russia, he took several Dutch engineers, business men and artisans with him. One of Melchior de Moucheron's sons remained in Russia, also one of Pieter Junior's sons was there. But it was especially the descendants of one of Melchior's sisters, the wife of Jan van Dale, who became men of importance in the land of the Muscovites.

Melchior de Moucheron was the genealogist of the family and compiled the data for the family history. He did not forget the town of Arnemuiden in Zeeland, where he had been established before settling at Archangel. He presented the city with a large eagle in a cage, which was displayed in the market-place, and which is said to have been the origin of the eagles in the arms of the city. To the University of Leyden he donated a miraculous stone said to have been endowed with healing power.

And now there remains the story of Pieter de Moucheron, born in 1545 at Antwerp, the eldest son of Pierre de Moucheron the Elder. After leaving Antwerp in 1585, he established himself at Arnemuiden, near Middelburg, where he was a leading merchant. There was continuous friction with the English, who searched Dutch ships for contraband during the war with Spain and committed other acts of "piracy" with considerable loss to the Dutch merchants, amounting during 1585-1588 to three million pounds Flemish. No wonder that it was a Hollander, the world-renowned Hugo Grotius (de Croot), who wrote in 1630 his famous treatise, Mare Liberum ("The Freedom of the Seas"), which was immediately answered by the Englishman Selden in his Mare Clausum. In 1588 the Dutch sent delegates to England to discuss these various mat-

ters. Pieter de Moucheron was one of the delegates. They were received with great pomp by Queen Elizabeth and her advisers, and remained several months in England although nothing was accomplished. However, Pieter used this period to study the English governmental system and to acquaint himself with its political background, and that proved very helpful in the sequel. Upon the return of the delegation, and seeing that nothing had been accomplished, the Middelburg merchants under the leadership of Balthasar de Moucheron formed the College of Consuls, an association of twenty-four of the chief Middelburg business men founded to protect their own interests and to establish a convoy system for their combined fleets. They chose Pieter de Moucheron to represent them in England, and thither he and his family repaired in 1589. The connections made during his previous visit proved of great advantage and he turned to bribery to secure the results which diplomacy had failed to achieve.

He found a corrupt Judge of the Admiralty Court willing to provide him with court orders preventing the search of the Dutch vessels. His mission was highly successful, although perhaps not conducted along strictly ethical lines. He was strongly opposed by the Dutch government officials in London who had failed to obtain results and who resented his ability to accomplish them by methods which they could not employ. During his association with the Admiralty he became a close friend of one of its lords, Sir Walter Raleigh. He was a constant visitor at Raleigh's home and was often accompanied by his small son, Daniel, who was a fascinated listener to the stories of Sir Walter's exploits.

After a residence of several years in London, from which Pieter continued to conduct his business enterprises, he returned to Middelburg. Here he lived in the beautiful house of his brother Balthasar, who had removed to near-by Veere. The famous Dutch statesman and poet, Sir Jacob Cats, stayed with him for a long time, and in his autobiography refers several times to Pieter de Moucheron and his family. As already stated, Sir Jacob finally bought the house and also the de Moucheron country seat at Grypskerke.

Pieter de Moucheron was also involved in the debacle of the business ventures of the family. He left Middelburg for Amsterdam in 1604 with his fourth wife and his son Balthasar. The latter was a painter, as was also in turn his son Frederick (1633-1686) and grandson Isaac (1670-1744; one of Frederick's eleven children, again the family heritage!), whose paintings, mostly landscapes, are in many of the leading galleries. Of the other children of Pieter, Daniel remained at Middelburg but was murdered on a voyage at Punto del Rey in 1607.

The spirit of exploration and travel remained alive in the family, for later in the Dutch colony of Brazil, Hendrick de Moucheron and his wife Cornelia Struys had a son Cosmo baptized (1641); his wife's sister Maria Struys was the wife of Jacob Alricks, one-time Director on the Delaware. A few years later, in 1648, Geertruyd de Moucheron, and in 1651, Cosmo de Moucheron, were also numbered among the settlers in Brazil. Pieter had a son Cosmo who, however, went to Russia in 1624 as an engineer to join the other members of the family there, but it is possible that he also visited Brazil.

It was perhaps the de Moucheron blood which prompted François de Bruyn to settle in New Netherland. For his grandmother, Margrieta de Moucheron, was a daughter of Pieter de Moucheron and, in all probability, Pieter's second wife, Beatrix van Berchem. Margrieta was 29 at her marriage in 1600, as we shall see below, and therefore was born about 1571, no doubt in Antwerp since her father did not leave there until 1585. She first lived at Middelburg, but left with her husband and children in 1607 to join her father at Amsterdam.

The de Bruyn line can now be continued by means of three manuscript family records which are in the collection of Nederland's Patriciaat at the Hague. They must have been acquired from a single source, for they concern the related families of de Bruyn(e) and Bagelaer. They have been published separately in De Wapenheraut, 1908, 1909 and 1911.

The first one is a Bible record and has the following title:

Looft Godt	In der Vere	In Walcheren
	Memoriael van onser geboorte	
Praise the Lord	At Veere on (the island of)	Walcheren (Zeeland)
	Memorial of our births	

1. François de Bruyn, aged 24 years and 5 months, married at Veere, Jan. 12, 1600, Margrieta de Moucheron, aged 29 years [daughter of Pieter above]. It is to be assumed that the entries at the end of the record refer to François and his wife, namely: "Our late father is rested in the Lord 5 April 1616" and "Our late mother is rested in the Lord 30 November 1621." That these refer to François and his wife gains credence because no more children were born after 1616, and also there is another entry following these two which states: "Uncle de Bruyn is rested in the Lord 1634, 8 May, aged 60." Judging by his age, this "uncle" must have been a contemporary of François and hence in all probability an uncle of the children of François. Is it stressing the imagination too far to surmise that as François and his wife seem to

have died when the children were still small, that this uncle took care of them, hence this solitary entry about another member of the family?

Children:

- i. Petrus, b. Veere Aug. 1, 1601, "pillegift een silveren claaier door schoonvader," sponsor's gift a silver platter from father-in-law.
 - ii. François, b. Middelburg Sept. 24, 1602; d. Jan. 18, 1607.
 - iii. Margrieta, b. Middelburg Feb. 4, 1604; d. Mar. 12, 1605.
 - 2 iv. Jacobus, b. Middelburg Mar. 1, 1605, who follows.
 - v. Daniel, b. Middelburg May 24, 1606.
- "A^o 1607 den 2 en Juni syn wy t'amsterdam met 4 kinderen gearriveert"—June 2, 1607 we arrived with 4 children at Amsterdam.
- vi. Simon, b. Amsterdam June 22, 1607.
 - vii. Jacques, b. Amsterdam June 1, 1608.
 - viii. Johannes, b. Amsterdam Feb. 2, 1611, who received a silver covered cup for a gift.
 - ix. A son, b. Aug. 19, 1612, d. 4 days later.
 - x. François, b. Amsterdam Nov. 23, 1613; sponsors, Johannes Lamaier and cousin Coorens. Received a silver beaker from Dirck Simey.
 - xi. Balthasar, b. Amsterdam Jan. 1, 1616; sponsors, "Uncle Balthasar de Moucheron" and Cousin Coorn. Received 100 guilders as a present. (A family named Coorn settled in New Netherland.)

It is of interest to see that the famous Balthasar stood sponsor for the youngest child in 1616. This proves that he was still living at that date, so far as I know the latest reference to him.

We gain our next information from an old pedigree chart showing the four quarterings of Abigael Bagelaer who married about 1680 Hendrick Bosch. These quarterings are:

Bagelaer X de Moucheron	de Bruyn X Syms
Bagelaer X de Bruyn	

This establishes therefore a marriage de Bruyn-Syms and in the next generation Bagelaer-de Bruyn. And from the next family record we learn that Otto Bagelaer married Margaretha de Bruine; and as Otto Bagelaer was a sponsor at the baptism of the first child of François de Bruyn at New Amsterdam, it is evident that we are on the right track.

2. Jacob de Bruyn, born at Middelburg, Mar. 1, 1605, married Anna Syms. We know the surname of the wife from the above-mentioned chart. The Bagelaer record entitled "List concerning the friends of grandmother Bagelaer" shows that there was a Jacob de Bruyne whose wife's name was Anna and who had a daughter Maria baptized at Am-

sterdam in 1645 (see below), and as Francois of New Netherland named his second son Jacob (the first one was Caspar, named for his wife's father), we may safely assume that his own father was named Jacob, which fits perfectly in the picture.

Children:

- 3
 - i. Francois, b. 1629, who follows; settled in New Netherland.
 - ii. Maria, parents Jacob de Bruyne and Anna de Bruyne, bart. at Amsterdam Nieuwe Zyds Kapel, Mar. 5, 1645 (Bagelaer record).
 - iii. Margrieta, married Otto Bagelaer (who was sponsor for a child of Francois at New Amsterdam). They had a daughter Abigael who m. about 1680 Hendrick Bosch (chart), and a son Joan Bagelaer who m. Jan. 1, 1686, Niesje van de Velde (Bagelaer record).

The records above referred to give the following particulars about the de Bruyn(e) family, but these persons cannot on the basis of present knowledge be assigned to their proper place in the de Bruyn pedigree:

Jacques de Bruine died at his sister's house July 31, 1661, aged about 67.

Francynken de Bruyne died Mar. 20, 1648, lived at Belle, Flanders.

Francynken de Bruyne died May 19, 1664.

Aunt Marie de Bruyne buried Amsterdam Nov. 22, 1708, undoubtedly child ii in the preceding family.

Cousin Balthasar de Bruine died Amsterdam Nov. 19, 1759.

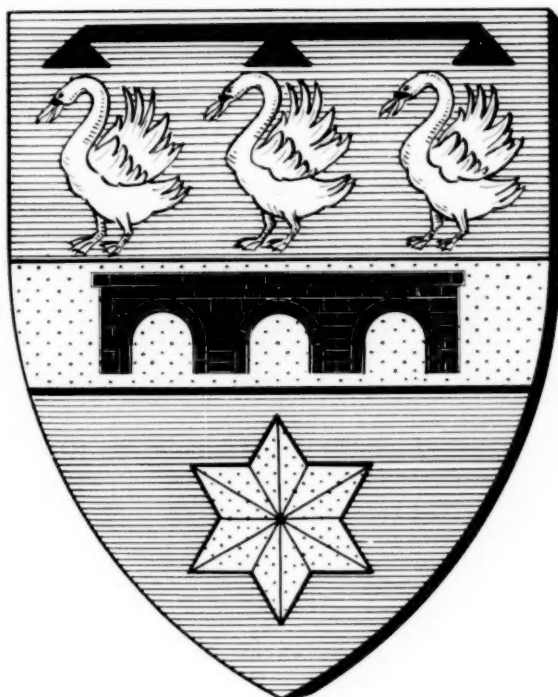
Willem de Bruyn was a lawyer in Amsterdam.

It would seem possible that other members of the family had connections with the Dutch Colony in Brazil. There was a Lieutenant Pieter de Bruyne who took part in the expedition from Zeeland, in 1627, to the Oyapok, the river dividing Brazil from French Guiana (New Netherland Documents: 257). Johannes de Bruyne, one of the Commissioners of the West India Company, was in Brazil in 1630 with the de Loncq expedition. Fort de Bruyne, the ruins of which still exist, was named after him.

Although, of course, no complete genealogy has been presented, the data establish the ancestry of Francois de Bruyn, the New Netherland settler, and his descent from the famous de Moucheron family. The chart also establishes the de Bruyn(e) arms, which are as follows: Azure a fess or between three swans in fess and a star of six points or. On the fess a bridge of three arches sable. In chief a label sable.

3. Francois de Bruyn was born in 1629. He emigrated from Amsterdam about 1647 and settled first at New Amsterdam, where he appears to have carried on a mercan-

De Bruyn(e)



tile business. On Sept. 4, 1658, he bought of Cornelis Steenwyck a house and lot at the Water (on Pearl Street, between Broad and Whitehall Streets), where he probably resided. In November of the same year he took the burgher oath and signed an obligation to pay 20 guilders in beavers for the small burgher right. On Feb. 1, 1660, he received three votes for schepen but was defeated. On Aug. 28, 1660, Tieleman van Vleck, notary and attorney for Alexander d'Kinoyossa conveyed to de Bruyn the former's house, brew house, mill house and lot situated north of the Smith Vly. On Sept. 16, 1660, de Bruyn conveyed to Cornelis Steenwyck a house and lot on the north side of T'Water Street.

Three years later he decided to leave New Amsterdam and settle on Long Island, where on Dec. 15, 1663, he agreed to buy of Nicholas Stillwell, Antony Jansen van Salee's Patent and Bouwery of 100 morgens for 700 guilders, exclusive of the value of some improvements made by Nathaniel Brittain—a son-in-law of Stillwell and a tenant on the premises. And on Aug. 24, 1664, the conveyance was made. Prior to the purchase, he had already removed to New Utrecht, where he was a magistrate in 1663, and on Jan. 10, 1664 had been appointed one of the schepens of the town. In 1668 his name appears among the patentees of New Utrecht, and on Aug. 8, 1673, he was appointed secretary of the Dutch towns, and on Jan. 1, 1674, vendue master or auctioneer.

He conveyed on June 4, 1665, a portion of his plantation to Jan Jansen van Ryne. It was described as "a certaine parcell of Land Lying and being ye Northern parte of my Bowerie....including the house and barn thereon which sometime belonged to Nathaniel Brittain." His plantation was now known as Bruynsburg, and he was obliged on Jan. 5, 1670, to mortgage it to Balthasar de Hart of New York. On Mar. 18, 1671/2, he agreed to sell Bruynsburg to Barent Joosten of Bushwick and Jan Hansen (van Nostrand) of Flatbush for 16,500 guilders. The conveyance was not made until Dec. 10, 1675, by his wife Anna as his attorney (Anna de Sille), he at that time being absent from the country. She also, as his attorney, conveyed on Mar. 3, 1675/6, a parcel of salt meadows in Flatlands to Barteld Claessen (van Ruynen).

De Bruyn and companions had obtained on Mar. 7, 1669, the exclusive privilege of the porpoise fishery for oil on the shores of the Bay from Coney Island to Nyack point.

De Bruyn was a party to many suits in the court at New Amsterdam. The following reveal the man's character and are therefore mentioned here. On Nov. 8, 1661, he was ordered to pay a fine for having used abusive language to Jans Jansen de Jong, and on Oct. 10, 1662, he was sued for having struck and insulted the Court Mes-

senger. Moreover, at the house of the Heer Fiscaal de Sille (who by the way was later to become his father-in-law), he had offered gross insolence to his Honor's person as well as to his wife, to such a degree as to have the soldiers called. The court fined him in the amount of 200 guilders, but he was adamant in his refusal to pay this fine, "not even in ten years though they should drag him out of his house." The sheriff asked permission on the 7th of November to imprison him at City Hall. This was rejected, but he was allowed to confine him in "a respectable tavern." These and other incidents show the character of the man, who was undoubtedly rather too proud of his background. He is often called Heer in the records and it is evident that he ranked above the ordinary settlers and belonged to a higher class socially.

This also follows from the marriages he contracted. His first wife was Catharyn Verlet, whom he married at New Amsterdam (precise date not given) in 1657. She was a native of Amsterdam but had settled with her parents, Caspar Verlet and Judith Tintenier, and the rest of her family in New Netherland. It was a prominent family (New York Gen. and Biog. Record, 10:35, 85; 71:117) and through this marriage he became related to some of the leading figures in early New Amsterdam.

His second wife was Anna de Sille, widow of Hendrick Kip. She was the daughter of the Fiscal Nicasius de Sille and also of distinguished ancestry and connections (ibid., 34:24; 9:55; 64:131). The date of the marriage is not known. However, on Feb. 17, 1672, "Fransoos de Bruyn" paid 20 guilders for a grave in the church at Flatbush (Fl. Fr. 20), and it is possible that this was to be the last resting place for his first wife. He had ten children, but only the baptisms of the following three were recorded in the Reformed Dutch Church at New Amsterdam:

- i. Casparus, 1659 (54), sp. Nicolas Verlet, Otto Bagelaer (the husband of François' sister, possibly a sponsor only by proxy).
- ii. Agatha, 1661 (59), sp. Johannes de Peyster, Anna Verleth.
- iii. Jacob, 1662 (64), sp. Anthony de Mil, Anna Stuyvesants.

On April 10, 1676, a pass was granted by Governor Andros to Anna the wife of François de Bruynne and her ten children to sail for London in the pink (a type of vessel) called the Charls of New York. François had sailed some time before. He and his family never returned to these shores.

THE ORIGIN OF THE CROWNINSHIELDS

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In this paper the origin of the distinguished Salem family will be considered. The writer is the great-great-grandson of Elizabeth Crowninshield of Salem, and he presents herein the result of some record research in connection with his own ancestry.

The first ancestor of the Crowninshields was a German doctor, one Johann Kaspar Richter von Kroninschilt, who first appeared in New England in the last decade of the seventeenth century. The circumstances of his arrival may be gleaned from two suits preserved in the old files of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston: the case of Johann Kaspar Richter von Kronenshilt vs. Capt. Robert Glover, captain, and James Turnbull, quartermaster, of the sloop Dragon, on 18 March 1694/5, for his share of prize money (Case No. 3101); and the suit of Capt. Robert Glover, commander of the privateer sloop Dragon, vs. Capt. Erasmus Harrison, commander of the privateer sloop Dolphin (Case No. 3123).

From the documents and depositions in these cases, it appears that Capt. Robert Glover of the sloop Dragon had been commissioned by Christopher Codrington, Governor of the "Leeward Caribby Islands," as a privateersman. The two captains entered into a partnership agreement to go against the French in the summer of 1694 at the Island of St. Thomas, and Dr. Kroninschilt was the surgeon for both sloops, but was on board of Captain Harrison's Dolphin. The crew of the Dolphin were all from the West Indies.

The two vessels sailed from St. Thomas on 20 Feb. 1694 to attack a French snow, a square-rigged vessel similar to a brig, near the Island, and on 2 March they took a French brig under Crab Island [Vieques Island, a small island east of Puerto Rico] and brought her to St. Thomas and then returned to Crab Island. Thence they proceeded to Samanna [Santa Barbara in Santo Domingo] on Hispaniola and there agreed to sail to the "Quebec River" [St. Lawrence] against the French. They went to "the Port of Rhode Island" [Newport] and thence to Salem. From there they sailed to the Isles of Shoales and Piscataqua [Portsmouth]. Thence they went to the Gut of Canso at the extreme eastern end of Nova Scotia. In the Canada River [St. Lawrence] they became separated in a fog, and Captain Glover in the Dragon met and captured, after a hard fight, the French "fly-boat" [a fast boat of a variety of rigs] St. Joseph, Jean Couliander [Couliandere?] captain, bound from La Rochelle to Quebec laden with brandy.

After Captain Harrison rejoined the Dragon, they car-

ried the prize to the bay north of the Isle of Persee [Percé Rock off the Gaspé coast in the Gulf of St. Lawrence], intending to sail for Salem. Captain Glover and his prize evaded his partner and went to Newport, where he had the prize condemned in the Vice Admiralty Court. He went to Boston where the suits were filed.

Dr. Kronenschilt had attended the wounded men on board the prize at Percé. In the case of Cronenschilt vs. Glover, the plaintiff is described as "of Lynn." On 4 Dec. 1694 Dr. Kroninschilt had married Elizabeth Allen of Lynn, daughter of Capt. Jacob Allen of Lynn and Salem and later of Sewee Bay, South Carolina, by his wife Elizabeth, only child of John Clifford of Salem, who owned a large estate in Lynn near the Salem line, which eventually came to the Crowninshields [cf. New England Hist. and Gen. Register, 102:1894].

Dr. Kroninschilt went to Boston and resided on Moon Street in the North End, where he died on 19 Dec. 1711. Cotton Mather wrote in his diary, under date of 6 Aug. 1711: "There is a family in my neighborhood, which are people of no Religion but a Composition of Quaker and High Church and a little Atheistical. These are in great affliction; by long Sickness, which brings on impoverishing Circumstances. I will make their Affliction an Opportunity to visit them and releave them and instruct them and do all the Good that is possible for them and stir up the Neighbors to do so too" ("Kronsil" in Greek letters) [Mather's Diary, 2:96].

Dr. and Elizabeth Kroninschilt had issue three sons, John, Richard and Clifford, and two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary. John and Clifford settled in Salem. John was the progenitor of the well-known Salem family. Clifford was the grandfather of the noted Salem merchant, also named Clifford Crowninshield, who died without issue, leaving as his heirs his sisters, married to Salem sea captains of note. Richard moved to Attleborough, where he married and left issue. His descendants are now to be found in and about Providence, R.I., and in New York State.

Such is the brief story of the arrival of the family in New England and its subsequent history, and we now turn to the consideration of its origin. Dr. Bentley, minister of the North Church at Salem, was on intimate terms with the Doctor's grandchildren and, on information obtained from them, he states in his Diary that they came from Leipsic. This statement, therefore, may be accepted as correct. The family have a tradition that Dr. Kroninschilt was a student at the University of Leipsic and that he was expelled for his part in a duel.

In 1931 the writer made some searches in Leipsic through the excellent "Zentralsteller für Deutsche Personen und Familien Geschichte" of Leipsic. Their report

of 29 Feb. 1932 here follows:

We take the liberty, on the basis of our more recent investigations, of communicating the following three documents:

1. In the year 1653 Caspar Richter from Halle is immatriculated at Leipzig, and in the year 1658, with the actual beginning of his studies, the oath is administered to him under Pector Freibisius. The entry reads: Richter, Casparus Hallensis, immatriculated 1653, jur. R. M. [Rectori Magnifico] Freibisio 1658.

2. On 22 June 1661 there is baptized in the Church of St. Thomas at Leipzig, Johann Casparus Richter, illegitimate son of Caspar Richter, student, of Halle, and of Maria, daughter of Hans Hahn, tawer, of Annabergk.

3. On 24 September 1668 there were married in the Church of St. Thomas at Leipzig, the noble, strong and valiant gentleman, Johann Caspar Richter of Dresden, of the Portuguese Admiralty, East Indian ship Captain, and the honorable and very virtuous maiden, Eva Elisabeth, legitimate daughter of the honorable and highly esteemed gentleman, Johann Kohl, citizen and innkeeper here at the Reuter.

These three documents show the following state of affairs: Caspar Richter, according to the custom of the times, is immatriculated at Leipzig in 1653, when he is still in the age of childhood, but actually first resorts to the University in the year 1658 and is, therefore, not until this year placed under obligations as a student. In the year 1661 he becomes the father of an illegitimate child, Johann Caspar, born of Maria Hahn from Annabergk, daughter of a respectable master; and this child, according to the custom of the times, since the paternity is not contested, receives the family name of the natural father, that is, Richter. For the young student this case must have had, as a result, his expulsion from the university. We refer to the various similar cases which we obtained from the documents of the university, that students have been expelled because of love affairs or seductions. That the expulsion of Caspar Richter of Halle is not contained in the documents should not cause surprise—it is only by accident if such a case to-day can be proved by the documents. The expelled student apparently entered then the Portuguese sea service, and in the following years made the voyage to the East Indies. He returned again to Leipzig in 1668, in order to marry the daughter of a citizen, not, however, the mother of his illegitimate son, Johann Caspar. That Caspar Richter, the father, in the university documents is designated as a native of Halle, but in the entry of marriage as of Dresden, is not at all contradictory. It is probable that in one case the last

place of residence and in the other the place of birth is meant. Investigations in Halle and Dresden should at any rate clear up the matter.

Following the example of his father, the son also in his young years may have become a sailor. At any rate he arrived in America at the beginning of 1690.

It is of importance that in all the church books of Leipzig, about the time in question, only this one Johann Caspar Richter is entered as baptized. For the rest, the dates agree completely with the tradition of the American family, only with this limitation, that not Johann Caspar himself, but his father, was expelled as a student from the University of Leipzig.

It remains to be explained how Richter came to have the additional name of Kroninschild. Presumably the family of his father—and it may have been a distinguished family of Halle or Dresden—had borne a crown on the shield. With the very great spread of the name Richter in Germany, Caspar Richter or his son [may have] assumed the additional name of "von Kroninschild" or "with the crown on the shield" as a distinguishing name. Other explanations are also possible. The question is to establish whether in Halle or in Dresden in the seventeenth century a family named Richter with such a coat of arms can be found.

It seems to us in the highest degree probable that we, with these documents, have at last got on the trail of the origin of the long-sought-for family, and we are very glad to be able to make these communications, after long efforts void of results. If you wish us to make the further investigations proposed by us, we beg you kindly to be willing to grant a further sum of money.

In considering the above report, which is largely self-explanatory, it may be remarked that it bears out the family tradition, only it would be the father of the doctor who was at the university, and he would be expelled, not for a duel, but for a different offense. From what is known of the doctor's career, it would appear that he was born in the period 1655-1670, and so his age would be suitable for identification with the child baptized on 22 June 1661. The elder Caspar became a sea captain in the service of the Portuguese East India Company, and this connection would help to explain his son's turning to the sea and finding his way to St. Thomas in the West Indies, otherwise unusual for a Saxon boy at this period. The writer believes that we have probably located the parentage of Dr. Kroninschild.

Further investigation in Dresden and Halle is indicated, but under present conditions is impractical. It is to be hoped that additional research can be made at some future date.

THE HOUSE OF BRABANT
Ancestry of Philippa of Hainault, Wife of Edward III

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Many books and articles have been published on the proved (and unproved) descents of American families from Europe's ancient royal houses, and another monograph on the same subject appears at first thought to be quite superfluous. But one family, and especially one history of that family, seems to have been generally overlooked. The House of Brabant was one of the most exalted of the great feudal families that ruled many centuries ago, and, contrary to popular belief, is not extinct. It survives in the male line in the former Hessian reigning family, and in England the head of one branch is the Marquess of Milford Haven. Admiral Earl Mountbatten, of the latter branch, cousin of King George VI and one of the great commanders of the late war, is actually a representative in the direct male line of the early dukes of Brabant.

The most authoritative history of the family is Das Haus Erabant, published in 1931 by the late Dr. Carl Knetsch, Director of the State Archives at Marburg, in the Prussian province of Hesse-Nassau. It is a thoroughly documented volume, and to it this writer acknowledges his indebtedness for most of the material that follows. We carry the genealogy in detail to Duke Henry III, who died in 1260, and briefly from him to Philippa of Hainault, wife of Edward III, but American families may claim Brabant descents from other lines, and these will be indicated as we proceed. It is unnecessary to dwell in this place on the biographies of the successive heads of the House of Brabant; interested readers are referred for extended notices to such works as the early volumes of The Cambridge Medieval History and to Blok's History of the People of the Netherlands (Putnam's translation, volumes I and II).

I. Ciselbert I, Count in the Maasgau, was mentioned in documents as early as the years 840 and 841. He married before March 846, a daughter of Emperor Lothar, granddaughter of Emperor Louis (I) the Pious, and great-granddaughter of Emperor Charles (I) the Great (Charlemagne). Issue:

- i. Reginar; who follows.
- ii. Albert, Count in the Southern Ardennes; mentioned in documents between 928 and July 2, 936.

II. Reginar I, Count in Hainault (Graf im Nennegau), became Duke of Lorraine about the year 900. He died at Meersen, in the Palatinate, between Aug. 25, 915, when

he was mentioned in a document, and Jan. 19, 916, when his sons appeared at the imperial convocation held at Herstal. He married Albrada, who survived him. Issue:

- i. Giselbert, Duke of Lorraine; d. 939; m. Gerberga of Saxony, dau. of the German King, Henry the Fowler. She was b. 913-914, d. May 5, 984, and m. (2) Louis IV d'Outremer, King of France, b. 921, d. Sept. 10, 954. Her daughters named below have often been attributed to her second husband. Regarding this, Brandenburg (*Die Nachkommen Karls des Grossen*, 1935, p. 110) refers to Knetsch and comments: "Dass Alberade und Gerberga Töchter Giselberts, nicht Ludwigs IV v. Frankreich, des zweiten Mannes seiner Gattin Gerberga, gewesen sein, erhellt schon aus den Geburtszeiten ihrer Kinder; ebenso daraus, dass unter Alberades Nachkommenschaft der Name Giselbert wieder erscheint." Issue (following Brandenburg):
 1. Heinrich, Duke of Lorraine; d. 944, unm.
 2. Albrada, m. about 945 Reinald, Count of Reims and Roucy, who d. May 10, 967.
 3. Gerberga, m. before 954 Albert I, Count of Vermandois, who d. 987-8.
- ii. Reginar II; who follows.
- iii. Ada, living in 924; m. Berengar of Namur, Count in the Lomnagau and Maifeld, who was living in 933.

III. Reginar II, Count in Hainault, was mentioned in a document of Jan. 18, 916, and was still living in 932. He probably was married to a daughter of Richard, Duke of Burgundy, and a sister of Boson of Burgundy. Issue:

- i. Reginar III; who follows.
- ii. Rudolf, Count in the Haspengau; exiled in 958.
- iii. Liethard, d. young before 944.
- iv. A daughter, m. Nevelong, Count in the Velau (Betau, Veluwe), who d. before 943.

IV. Reginar III, Count in Hainault, was banished in June 958; he died in 973. His wife, Adela, who died in 961, was perhaps daughter of Count Lambert (according to Brandenburg). Issue:

- i. Reginar IV, Count in Hainault; d. 1013; m. ca. 998, Hedwig, dau. of Hugh Capet, King of France. Issue:
 1. Reginar V, Count in Hainault; d. 1039?; his line died out with a grandson, Roger, Bishop of Châlons-sur-Marne, 1093.
 2. Lambert.
 3. Beatrix, m. (1) Ebles I, Count of Roucy, who d. 1033, and (2) Manasses Calva Asina of Rameru.
- ii. Lambert I; who follows.

V. Lambert I, the Bearded, Count of Louvain [Löwen], was killed in the battle near Florennes, Sept. 12, 1015.

He married Gerberga, daughter of Karl [Charles], Duke of Lower Lorraine, the younger son of King Louis IV, of France, a scion of the Carolingian imperial house, by Gerberga of Saxony (see II, 1, above). Lambert and his wife were buried in the cloister of St. Gertrud at Nivelles. Issue:

- i. Heinrich I, Count of Louvain; d. at Brussels, ca. Aug. 5, 1038; m. (probably) a dau. of Baldwin IV, Count of Flanders, and had four children, none of whom left issue.
- ii. Lambert II; who follows.
- iii. Mathilde, m. Eustace I, Count of Boulogne, who d. ca. 1049.

VI. Lambert II, Count of Louvain, was mentioned in a document of 1063 as Count of Brussels. He died about Sept. 21, 1062, and was buried at Nivelles. He married Oda, dau. of Gozelo I, Duke of Lower Lorraine. Issue:

- i. Heinrich II; who follows.
- ii. Adela, d. 1083; m. (1) before 1060, Otto of Orlamünde, Margrave of Meissen, who d. before Easter 1067, and (2) 1069, Dedi II, of Wettin, Margrave of Lower Lusatia, who d. Oct. 1075.
- iii. Reginar, d. 1077.

VII. Heinrich II, Count of Louvain, died in 1078 or 1079, and was buried at Nivelles. He married Adela, daughter of Eberhard, Count in the Velau, who was living in 1086 when she and her sons Heinrich and Gottfried founded the abbey of Afflighem. Issue:

- i. Heinrich III, Count of Louvain, d. Feb. 1095, at Tournay; m. Gertrud, dau. of Robert the Frisian, Count of Flanders, and had four daughters. Gertrud m. (2) Dietrich, Count of Alsace and Duke of Upper Lorraine, who d. in 1115.
- ii. Gottfried I; who follows.
- iii. Ida, d. ca. 1107; m. 1084, Baldwin II, Count of Hainault, who d. 1098.
- iv. Adalbero, d. Jan. 1, 1128. In 1121 he became Bishop of Lüttich, where he was buried in the Church of St. Giles.

VIII. Gottfried I, the Bearded, Count of Louvain, became in 1106 Duke of Lower Lorraine and Margrave of Antwerp. He was also Bailiff of Affligem, Gembloux, and Nivelles. He died Jan. 25, 1139, and was buried at Affligem. He married first, Ida, daughter of Otto II, Count of Chiny, by Adelheid, daughter of Albert III, Count of Namur. She died ca. 1117, and he married second, ca. 1121, Clementia, daughter of Wilhelm II, Count of Burgundy, and sister of Pope Calixtus II. She was

the widow of Robert II, of Jerusalem, Count of Flanders.

The older writers called the first wife daughter of Albert III, Count of Namur, instead of his granddaughter and Knetsch followed them. The comments of Brandenburg [*op. cit.*, p. 100] are therefore apropos: "Dass Gottfrieds I erste Frau nicht wie noch Knetsch annimmt, eine Tochter Alberts III v. Namur war, sondern seine Enkelin, Tochter der Adelaïs v. Namur und Ottos v. Chiny, hat bereits Vanderkindere (Berichtung im Register zu Bd. 2, 44) richtig gesehen. Ida und ihr Bruder Albero, Bischof v. Lüttich, waren nach Alberich, S. S. 23, 550, ex prosapia Namucensi; diese Angabe hat den Irrtum veranlasst. Alberich will aber damit nur sagen, dass sie von den Grafen v. Namur abstammten, führt sie auch unter Alberts III Kindern nicht an. Da aber Albero und sein Bruder Eustach 1139 (Wauters 2, 216), den Grafen Gottfried v. Namur, Alberts III Sohn, ihren Oheim nennen, so kann er nicht ihr Bruder gewesen sein, sondern nur der Bruder ihrer Mutter. Vgl. auch die Vanderkindere 2, 150 f. angeführten Quellenstellen.

Issue (by first wife):

- i. Gottfried II; who follows.
- ii. Heinrich, Count of Louvain, d. Sept. 27, 1141.
- iii. Adelheid, d. Apr. 23, 1157; m. (1) at Windsor, Jan. 29, 1121, Henry I, King of England; and (2) Dec. 2, 1135, William d'Aubigny, Earl of Arundel and Sussex, who d. Oct. 11, 1157.
- iv. Ida, d. before 1162 on a July 27; m. Arnulf II, Count of Cleves, who d. 1143, or according to Brandenburg, after 1147 on a July 20.
- v. Clarissa, d. unm. before 1140.

Duke Gottfried I had also an illegitimate son:

- vi. Joscelin; founder of the English House of Percy.

Discussion:— Adelheid, daughter of Duke Gottfried I, has become known in history, according to Miss Strickland, as the "Fair Maid of Brabant," because of her great beauty.¹ Her name has been preserved in English records as Adeliza, Adela, and Adelia of Louvain; many more variations of her name are noticed by Dr. Knetsch. When King Henry I of England was endeavoring to recover from his grief over the loss of his wife, Matilda of Scotland, and the tragic deaths by drowning of his sons William and Richard, the charms of the princess of Louvain attracted his attention and the contract of marriage was signed April 16, 1120, but the actual marriage was not consummated until the following year. The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle has the following brief description of this event: "This year [1121] was the King Henry at Christmas at Bampton, and afterwards, before Candlemas, at

Windsor was given him to wife Athelis [Adelheid, Adelia]; soon afterwards consecrated queen, who was daughter of the Duke of Louvain." ² The king died in 1135 and it is quite likely that Queen Adelia—to give her the accepted English equivalent of Adelheid—retired to her castle of Arundel, in Sussex, which had been given to her by King Henry, together with its dependencies. In 1138 the queen dowager married second, a powerful English nobleman, William d'Aubigny, commonly, but incorrectly, called de Albini, ³ who, in her right, styled himself Earl of Arundel. Soon after this event, the Empress Matilda, daughter of King Henry by his first wife, Matilda of Scotland, and widow of Emperor Heinrich V, landed in England to dispute the English crown with her cousin, King Stephen, who had ascended the throne on Henry's death. She was warmly welcomed at Arundel Castle by the earl and countess. ⁴ When Stephen marched to attack the empress dowager at Arundel, it was Adelia's diplomacy that prevailed upon him to permit Matilda to proceed to Bristol.

About 1149 the former queen retired from the world and passed her days in quiet seclusion in the monastery established by her father and his brother at Afflighem, near Aalst [Alost], in Flanders, where she died in April 1157. ⁵ William d'Aubigny, who had the highest regard for his wife, established a foundation at his manor of New Buckenham, Norfolk, that prayers might be said for the departed spirit of his eximia regina (excellent queen). It is noteworthy that after King Henry's death and the marriage of his widow to the Earl of Arundel, she was referred to as "the queen." She had no issue by King Henry, to whom she was married nearly fifteen years, but she had the following children by d'Aubigny: William, Earl of Arundel; Reynier; Henry; Godfrey; Alice, married the Count of Eu; Olivia; and Agatha. The earldom of Arundel, the premier earldom in England, is now held by William and Adelia's descendant, the Duke of Norfolk.

Jocelin of Louvain is a character in English history whose parentage has been much debated. He was described in one work as "the youngest son of Godfrey, Duke of Brabant, a lineal descendant of Charlemagne, by his second wife, Clementia of Burgundy." ⁶ There has been much confusion regarding Duke Gottfried the Bearded's children by his two wives, but the mother of all of his legitimate children appears to have been the first wife, Ida of Chiny. There is no evidence to show that Jocelin was a son of the duke's Burgundian wife. "Jocelinus (Gocelinus, Cochelinus), who about the year 1170 was expressly denoted as a brother of Queen Adelheid," observes Knetsch, "was probably a bastard son of Gottfried I." ⁷

In order "to improve his fortune by an advantageous alliance," Joscelyn accepted the invitation of his half-sister, Queen Adelicia, to settle in England, where he espoused Agnes, daughter and heiress of a powerful nobleman, William de Percy.⁸ In her right, he held the Honor of Petworth and lands representing 5 1/2 knights' fees in Yorkshire. He died before 1189. His widow, Agnes de Percy, died in 1205 and was buried at Whitby Abbey. This second House of Percy, actually Brabant in the male line (although an illegitimate branch in all probability), subsequently acquired the earldom of Northumberland and became extinct in 1670. It is now represented in the female line only.⁹

IX. Gottfried II, Count of Louvain and Duke of Lower Lorraine, died between Nov. 11 and Dec. 31, 1142. He married, circa 1139, Luitgardis, daughter of Berengar I of Sulzbach, and sister of Gertrud, wife of the German king, Conrad III, the first of the Hohenstaufen monarchs. Luitgardis married second, Hugo, Count of Dachsburg. Issue:

- i. Gottfried III; who follows.

X. Gottfried III, Count of Louvain and Duke of Lower Lorraine, died on Aug. 10, 1190, and was buried in St. Peter's Church at Louvain. He married first, 1155, Margarethe, daughter of Heinrich II, Count of Limburg. She died in 1172, and he married second, Imagina, daughter of Count Ludwig of Loos. After Gottfried's death the duchess retired to the convent of Münsterbilsen at Lüttich, of which she became abbess in 1203. She died on June 4, between the years 1214 and 1220. Issue by first wife:

- i. Heinrich I; who follows.
- ii. Adalbero; became Bishop of Lüttich, Sept. 8, 1191, and Cardinal, 1192; assassinated at Rheims, Nov. 24, 1192; canonized as a saint, 1613.

Issue by second wife:

- iii. Wilhelm, Lord of Perwez and Ruysbroeck; d. ca. Aug. 1, 1224; m. Maria, dau. of Ingelgram of Orbais; his line became extinct with Adelheid, Lady of Hoboken, in 1296.
- iv. Gottfried; founder of the Lovaine family in England.

Discussion:—Dr. Knetsch apparently was not aware that Gottfried, son of Duke Gottfried III by his second wife, settled in England during the reign of King John (1199-1216) and founded there the family of Lovaine (Lovayne). His account of this Gottfried of Louvain (Godfrey de Lovaine, in English records) is very brief and

chiefly intended to prove that he was a son of Gottfried III. He refers to three documents of March 26, 1207, May 24, 1212, and in 1220, in all of which this Gottfried was described as a brother of Duke Heinrich I, thus making him a son of Gottfried III. English sources, however, show that Godfrey de Lovaine entered the service of King Henry III, who sent him on a political mission to his (de Lovaine's) older half-brother, Duke Heinrich I. About 1190 he married Alice, widow of Ralph de Cornhill and daughter of Robert de Hastings, through whom he inherited numerous estates in London, Middlesex, Essex, and Suffolk. He died before April 26, 1226. Several children were born to Godfrey and Alice, but their son and heir was Matthew de Lovaine, who died before June 1258. This second English branch of the House of Erabant survived only a century longer, becoming extinct in the male line with John de Lovaine in 1348/7. Of his two daughters, one died unmarried and the other, Eleanor, became the wife of William de Bourghchier and the ancestress of long lines of noble families.¹⁰

XI. Heinrich I, the Warrior, Count of Louvain and Duke of Lower Lorraine, about the year 1190 discarded the latter title and assumed that of Erabant, thus becoming the first Duke of Erabant. He was born in 1165 and died at Cologne, Sept. 5, 1235. He was buried in St. Peter's Church, Louvain. He married first, Mathilde, daughter of Matthaëus of Flanders, Count of Boulogne. She died in 1211 and was buried in St. Peter's, Louvain. He married second, at Soissons, April 22, 1213, Marie, daughter of Philip II, King of France, widow of Philip II, Count of Namur; she died Aug. 15, 1223 or 1224. Issue by first wife:

- i. Maria, d. ca. Mar. 9, 1260; m. (1) May 19, 1214, (as his second wife), Otto IV, Holy Roman Emperor and Duke of Brunswick (nephew of the English kings, Richard "Coeur de Lion" and John), who d. May 19, 1218; and (2) July 1220, Wilhelm I, Count of Holland, who d. Feb. 4, 1223.
- ii. Margaretha, d. Sept. 21, 1231; m. Gerhard III, Count of Gelderland, who d. Oct. 22, 1229.
- iii. Adelheid, d. between 1261 and 1278; m. (1) 1206, Arnulf, Count of Looz, who d. before Oct. 6, 1221; m. (2) before Feb. 3, 1225, Wilhelm IX, Count of Clermont and Auvergne, who d. Feb. 1246; m. (3) before Apr. 21, 1251, Arnulf, Lord of Wesemaele, Marshal of Brabant, who d. as a Knight Templar ca. 1288.
- iv. Mathilde; who follows.
- v. Heinrich II, the Magnanimous, Duke of Brabant; d. at Louvain, Feb. 1, 1248; m. (1) before Aug. 22, 1215, Maria of Hohenstaufen, daughter of the German king Philip of Suabia; m. (2) ca. 1240, Sophia, dau. of Ludwig IV, Landgrave of Thuringia.
- vi. Gottfried, Lord of Baucignies, Leerwe and Gaesbeek; d.

Jan. 22, 1253; m. before Aug. 7, 1243, Maria of Bau-
cignies, dau. of Arnulf IV, Lord of Audenarde, and
widow of Johann, Count of Rethel. This line became
extinct in 1309.

Issue by second wife:

- vii. Elisabeth, d. Oct. 23, 1273; m. (1) Dietrich, Count of
Cleves and Lord of Dinslaken, who d. ca. 1245; m. (2)
Gerhard II, Count of Limburg and Lord of Wassenberg,
widower of Beatrix of Randerath, who d. in 1254.
- viii. Maria, d. young.

Discussion:—Heinrich II, the Magnanimous, Duke of
Brabant, son and successor of Duke Heinrich I, the War-
rior, had several children by his first wife, Maria of
Hohenstaufen, among them his successor, Heinrich III,
Duke of Brabant (d. 1261). The last representative of
the ducal branch of Brabant was the Duchess Johanna (d.
1406), widow of Wenzel, King of Bohemia, brother of Em-
peror Karl IV. By his second wife, Sophia of Thuringia,
Duke Heinrich II had issue, of whom Heinrich, called
"the Child" to distinguish him from his elder half-bro-
ther of the same given name, succeeded to the Thuringian
possessions of his mother's family in 1264 and became
the first Landgrave of Hesse. His descendants continued
to rule the Hessian principalities until 1918, when they
were deposed as a result of the German revolution.

A morganatic branch of the House of Brabant of Hesse
held the small principality of Battenberg, and for a few
years (1879-86) seated one of its members on the throne
of Bulgaria. Toward the close of the last century a
branch of the Battenbergs settled in England, in conse-
quence of marriage into the family of Queen Victoria—
the third branch of the House of Brabant to do so, fol-
lowing the example of Percy and Lovaine. In 1917 the
princes of this family discarded the name of Battenberg,
anglicizing it to Mountbatten, and two members were cre-
ated marquesses of Milford Haven and Carisbrooke.

XII. Mathilde (Mechtild), Princess of Brabant, died
Dec. 21, 1267, and was buried in the Cistercian abbey at
Loosduinen near The Hague. She married first, Heinrich
II, Count Palatine, who died April 25-26, 1214, and was
buried in the Cistercian monastery at Schönau, near Hei-
delberg. On Nov. 5, 1214, Mathilde was betrothed at
Antwerp to Floris IV, Count of Holland, who was then
four years old. They were married Dec. 6, 1224, when
he was fourteen. He was killed at the age of 24, July
19, 1234, in a tournament held at Noyon or Corbie, and
was buried in the monastery at Reinsburg. Their son,
Wilhelm II, Count of Holland, was King of the Romans
during the period when the throne of the Holy Roman Em-

pire had no imperial occupant.

XIII. Adelheid, daughter of Mathilde of Brabant and her second husband, Count Floris IV of Holland, married Johann I, Count of Hainault (Fainaut, Hennegau), who died in 1257.

XIV. Johann II, Count of Hainault, their son, became Count of Holland in 1299. He died in 1304. He married Philippa, daughter of Heinrich II, Count of Luxemburg.

XV. Wilhelm III, the Good, Count of Hainault and Holland, their son, died in 1337. He married Jeanne, daughter of Charles, Count of Valois, and sister of Philip VI, King of France, the first Valois monarch.

XVI. Philippa of Hainault, their daughter, was born circa 1312, and died Aug. 14, 1369. On Jan. 24, 1327/8, she married Edward III, King of England, by whom she was ancestress of the existing royal families of Europe and of many European and American families.

Notes

1. Agnes Strickland, Lives of the Queens of England (1902), vol. I, p. 170.

2. Everyman's Library edition (1938), p. 193. Strictly speaking, her father, Gottfried I, was not duke, but Count of Louvain, and Duke of Lower Lorraine.

3. G. E. C(okayne), Complete Peerage, new edition, article "Arundel."

4. Dictionary of National Biography, vol. I, p. 137. The DNB erroneously states that Adelicia's father, Duke Gottfried the Bearded, was a descendant in the male line of Charlemagne.

5. Knetsch gives her date of death as April 23, 1157, but Miss Strickland quotes records stating that the ex-queen was buried at Afflighem on April 9, probably in the year 1151. Brandenburg says on an April 23 after 1157.

6. Edward Barrington de Fonblanque, Annals of the House of Percy from the Conquest to the Opening of the Nineteenth Century (1887), vol. I, p. 31.

7. Knetsch, Das Haus Brabant, pp. 20-21. "Jocelinus (Gocelinus, Gochelinus), der zum Jahre 1170 ausdrücklich als der Königin Adelheid Bruder bezeichnet wird, war wohl ein Bastardssohn Gottfrieds I." Brandenburg (op. cit.), p. 103, concurs.

8. de Fonblanque, op. cit., vol. I, p. 31.

9. It is most unlikely that a family which survived for 500 years and for eighteen generations in the eldest male line, and which is known to have had a number of cadet branches, became totally extinct in the male line. Some of the Percy families of England and the United States may really descend from the historic house, but record proof, if existent, has not been found. —D.L.J.

10. See the history of the House of Lovaine (Lovayne) in Co-kayne's Complete Peerage.

THE RISLEY FAMILY OF CONNECTICUT

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While working on the Hale, House, Hills and related families of Glastonbury, Conn., for Edgar F. Waterman, Esq., of Hartford, Conn., it was necessary to give considerable attention to the Risley family because of the numerous intermarriages. Mr. Waterman has kindly permitted publication of the Risley data thus collected. While the data are far from complete, they correct and greatly amplify the unsatisfactory account of the early generations which was given in The Risley Family History (1909) by Edwin H. Risley.

1. Richard¹ Risley, born in England, died at Hartford, Conn., in 1648; married Mary _____, who died probably between 1655 and 1657. She married second, by December, 1648, William¹ Hills.

Risley was an early settler in Hartford, where his lands were recorded in February 1639/40 in the Distribution of Lands. The last of six parcels entered was obtained by exchange in May 1648 [Conn. Hist. Society Collections, 14:266-7].

The inventory of the estate of Richard Risley of Hockanum, amounting to £135.05.16, was taken by John Cullick and William Gibbons. The names and ages of the three children were appended: Sarah, between 7 and 8 years; Samuel, about 2; and Rich., about 3 months. Distribution was ordered by the Court, 7 Dec. 1648, to the three children, and William Hill was to give security for payment of the portions and to bring them up to write and read. [Manwaring's Digest, 1:31.]

Children:

- i. Sarah², b. ca. 1641; perhaps was married or deceased by 1658, when Winthrop fails to name her among the children and step-children constituting the household of William Hills.
- ii. Samuel, bapt. 1 Nov. 1646; d. 8 July 1670. He was made a freeman, May 1668. Administration on his estate was granted, 9 Nov. 1670, to Thomas Edwards. The inventory showed an estate of £29.04.10. (Ibid., 1:227.)
- 2 iii. Richard, bapt. 21 Aug. 1648; d. after 19 Oct. 1728.

2. Richard² Risley, baptized at Hartford, Conn., 21 Aug. 1648, died there after 19 Oct. 1728; married about 1676, Rebecca Adams, born at Hartford, about Aug. 1658, died before 20 May 1726, daughter of John and Abigail (Smith) Adams.

He bought about 330 acres from John Crow, 6 June 1682, and about 252 acres at Hockanum, 29 Feb. 1683/4, from Nathaniel Willett, administrator of the estate of Jeremy Adams [Conn. Hist. Society Collections, 14:33-4]. Jeremy Adams was his wife's grandfather.

Richard Risley gave testimony, 20 May 1726, that "my father John Addams formerly of Hartford Deceased, had seven Children viz: 4 sons & three Daughters....I married one of ye Daughters....ye sisters are all Deceased" [New England Hist and Gen. Register, 67:89; see also 59:316.] The probate of the estate of John Adams in November, 1670, calls his daughter Rebeckah aged twelve years in August last. [Manwaring's Digest, 1: 171.]

Two brothers of Rebecca (Adams) Risley settled in Great Egg Harbor, Gloucester County, N. J., and three of her sons followed their uncles to that place.

Although most of the children were not recorded in town or church records, there can be no doubt that the Risleys of the next generation were children of Richard and Rebecca. That is clearly indicated by the repetition of family names, mention of relationships in records of certain of the children, and the lack of other possible candidates for their paternity.

Children, born presumably at Hartford:

- 3 i. John³, b. (say 1677); d. in 1755.
- 4 ii. Samuel, b. ca. 1679; d. 6 Feb. 1756.
- iii. Thomas, b. (say 1681); d. at Great Egg Harbor, N.J., in 1748. His will, dated 25 Dec. 1740, (letters granted 27 May 1748), named his brothers, John Risley of Hartford in New England, and Richard; said Richard's sons, Richard, Peter and Thomas; and nieces Sarah and Rebecca, daughters of brother Richard.
- iv. Richard, b. (say 1683); d. at Great Egg Harbor, N.J., in 1740; m. Esther Gale, dau. of Samuel and Mary Gale. The will of Samuel Gale of Great Egg Harbor, dated 19 Sept. 1730, named wife Mary, and grandchildren Mary and Samuel Risley, children of Diana Risley. The will of his widow Mary Gale, dated 7 Dec. 1731, named her daughters, Heaster Risley, Mary Addams, and Diana Risley; gifts to "Meary" daughter of Diana Risley, to Jeremiah Risley, and to Mary Homan; also son John Gale and Covenoven grandchildren (Thomas and Micajah, children of Peter Covenoven). The will of Richard Risley, made 2 May 1737, (inventory, 22 May 1740), named wife Esther; sons, Richard, Peter and Thomas; and daughters Mary, Jemima, Esther, Sarah and Rebecca.
- v. Jeremiah, b. (say 1685); m. Diana Gale, dau. of Samuel and Mary Gale; res. Great Egg Harbor, N.J., and had children, at least, Mary and Samuel. (See wills of Diana's parents, under iv above.)
- vi. A child, bapt. 8 May 1687; perhaps identical with one of the known children.
- vii. Susannah, b. ca. 1690; d. at Enfield, Conn., 17 Nov. 1757 ae. 67 (g.s.); m. (1) at Glastonbury, 10 Dec. 1713, Abraham Colt, b. 21 May 1692, d. at Glastonbury, 31 Aug. 1717 (probate rec.), son of Abraham and Hannah (Loomis) Colt; m. (2) ca. 1723, John Hale, b. at Had-

ley, Mass., 26 Nov. 1680, d. at Enfield, Conn., 24 May 1753 in 73d yr. (g.s.), son of Thomas and Priscilla (Markham) Hale.

- viii. Mary, bapt. 23 Apr. 1693.
- ix. Hannah, bapt. 12 Apr. 1695; d. 7 May 1772 in 77th yr.; m. 23 Dec. 1717, Capt. James Brainerd, b. at Haddam, Conn., 25 Mar. 1696/7, d. 2 Oct. 1776 in 79th yr.
- x. (probably) Ann, b. (say 1697); m. intention entered Springfield, Mass., 2 Feb. 1716/17, to Samuel Lamb, b. at Springfield, 23 Feb. 1692/3, son of Samuel and Rebecca (Bird) Lamb.
- 5 xi. Jonathan, b. (say 1700); d. in 1762.
- 6 xii. Nathaniel, b. (say 1702); d. 30 Sept. 1741.

3. John³ Risley, born at Hartford, Conn., [say 1677], died at East Hartford, in 1755; married about 1699, Mary Arnold, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Colefax) Arnold.

John and Mary Risley signed with other heirs an agreement to divide the estate of her father, Henry Arnold [Manwaring's Digest, 2:459-60].

The will of John Risley of Hartford, made in January, 1753, proved 2 Sept. 1755, gave a third of his estate to his wife, and named his son, John Risley; daughters, Elizabeth, Hannah, Mabel, Thankful, and Martha; and son Timothy. Jonathan Risley was a witness.

Children:

- 7 i. John⁴, b. (say 1700); d. in 1777.
- ii. Elizabeth, m. (1) in 1728, as his second wife, Daniel Bigelow, bapt. 26 Mar. 1693, d. at East Hartford, 14 May 1733, son of Jonathan and Mary (Olcott) Bigelow; m. (2) 24 Nov. 1743, as his third wife, Thomas McCleve of Middletown, Conn., who d. there 23 Mar. 1756. Daniel Bigelow, by his first wife, Hannah Bidwell, had three children: Hannah, b. ca. 1719; Martha, b. ca. 1722; and Daniel, bapt. 6 Sept. 1724. Of these three children, William Bidwell (their uncle) became guardian. On 1 Sept. 1728, Daniel Bidwell and his wife made confession (East Hartford Church) and had their daughter Elizabeth baptized the same date. Elizabeth Bigelow on 1 June 1737 was appointed guardian of her children, Elizabeth, aged 8, and Thankful, 6. (See Manwaring's Digest, 3:11-2.) Elizabeth's uncle, Dr. Nathaniel Risley, in his will in 1741 left £20 "to be disposed of to Elizabeth Bigelow, now living with me, if she faithfully serve out her time...." This was the daughter Elizabeth, then aged 13. Elizabeth Bigelow (the widow) was described as of Hartford in the Middletown record of her marriage to McCleve. She was called Elizabeth McCleve in the distribution of the estate of her brother Timothy Risley in 1777. Children (Bigelow):
 - 1. Elizabeth, bapt. 1 Sept. 1728.
 - 2. Thankful, b. ca. 1731.
 Children (McCleve):

3. Mary, b. 20 Aug. 1744.
4. Timothy, b. 19 Jan. 1745/6.
- iii. Hannah, joined the East Hartford Church, 2 Jan. 1725/6, and the same month m. Stoffel or Christopher Van Zandt or Vansant as the name is usually written in church and probate records. Her own name was wrongly entered as Mary in the marriage record. The will of Hannah Vansant, Widow, of East Hartford, dated 23 Jan. 1763, gave her estate to her son Christopher Vansant, he to pay legacies to her other children, Anne Vansant, Mabel wife of Lot Loveland, Mary wife of Matthew Cadwell, Sarah wife of Daniel Ritter, and the heirs of her daughter Hannah Cole, dec'd. Witnesses: John Wells, Richard Risley, Samuel Wells. Proved 4 July 1769. Children (Vansant):
 1. John, bapt. 7 Jan. 1727/8; res. (1768) Egg Harbor, Burlington Co., N.J. (East Hampton Deeds, 2:410); a carpenter; admitted to East Middletown (Portland) Church, 1 Dec. 1751; m. Martha ——. He had children recorded at Portland Church: Rachel, bapt. 8 Mar. 1752; John, bapt. 7 Apr. 1754; Jonathan, bapt. 22 Mar. 1756, d. 13 May 1757.
 2. Ann, living 1763, then called Vansant in mother's will. She confessed and was restored at Portland Church, 16 June 1751, and had a son Daniel bapt. 14 July 1751, who apparently was known as Daniel Brewer.
 3. Mabel, m. (1) Lot Loveland, who d. of smallpox at Eastbury, 18 Apr. 1777, son of Lot and Rebecca (Risley) Loveland; m. (2) at Eastbury, 28 Aug. 1781, James Wright, b. 15 July 1730, son of Daniel and Eunice (Loomis) Wright, widower of Keziah Loveland.
 4. Christopher, bapt. 28 Mar. 1736; admitted to Portland Church, 12 Nov. 1780; m. Thankful ——.
 5. Joshua, bapt. 8 Jan. 1737/8.
 6. Mary, bapt. 30 Mar. 1740; m. Matthew Cadwell.
 7. Sarah, m. Daniel Ritter.
 8. Hannah, m. —— Cole.
- iv. Mabel, b. ca. 1710; d. at Glastonbury, 2 Jan. 1781; m. at East Hartford, 18 Feb. 1729/30, Jonathan Webster, b. at Hartford, 5 Oct. 1705, son of Jonathan and Esther (Judd) Webster.
- v. Thankful, m. Timothy Deming, b. at Hartford, 26 Mar. 1698, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Edwards) Deming.
- vi. Martha, m. Samuel Elmer or Elmore, b. ca. 1715, d. at East Windsor, Conn., 14 Apr. 1760 in 45th yr., son of Samuel and Rebecca Elmer.
- vii. Timothy, d. at East Hartford, in 1777, unm. Adm'n on his estate was granted, 5 Aug. 1777, to John and Jonathan Wells of Hartford, with Samuel Marsh surety. Distribution accepted 6 Jan. 1778 names brother John Risley; Hannah Vansant; Elizabeth McCleve; sister Mabel Webster; sister Thankful Deming; and sister Martha

Elmore.

4. Samuel³ Risley, born at Hartford, Conn., about 1679, died at Glastonbury, Conn., 6 Feb. 1756, in his 77th year (gravestone); married at Hartford, 1 Aug. 1704, Rebecca Gaines, born about 1688, died after 1752, daughter of Samuel and Anna (Burnham) Gaines.

His will, dated 9 May 1752, proved 12 Apr. 1756, gave to his wife Rebecca, £150 out of his movable estate and use of half the dwelling house; to son, Samuel Risley, £10; to second son, Richard Risley, £150; to fourth son, Job Risley, £150; to third son, David Risley, half of the land where he now dwells; to son, Oliver, the other half of this land; to youngest son, Thomas Risley, land and buildings where I now dwell; to daughter, Rebecca Loveland, £50; to daughter, Ruth Hollister, £50; to daughter, Sarah Risley, £250; and to granddaughter, Abigail Risley, £50. The estate inventoried at £6,014.4.0.

Samuel settled in the section of Glastonbury known as Eastbury or Buckingham, and is buried there. Rebecca Risley was admitted to the Bolton Church from the church in Eastbury, 21 April 1757. This was probably the widow of Samuel, as sons settled in Bolton.

Children, the first three recorded at Hartford:

- i. Samuel⁴, b. 29 Apr. 1705; m. Jemima Webster, b. at Glastonbury, 25 Dec. 1709, dau. of Jonathan and Esther (Judd) Webster. They settled in Greenfield, Mass. Family not traced; a probable child was:
 1. Prudence⁵, b. 25 Sept. 1735; d. at Guilford, Vt., 15 Apr. 1815; m. ca. 1754, David Gaines, b. at Glastonbury, 25 June 1732, d. at Guilford, Vt., 31 July 1813, son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Gaines.
- ii. Rebecca, b. 23 May 1707; m. ca. 1726, Lot Loveland, b. at Glastonbury, 13 May 1703, d. there (Eastbury), 6 Mar. 1796 ae. 90 (sic), son of Robert and Ruth (Gillim) Loveland.
- iii. Richard, b. 24 July 1709; d. at Bolton, Conn., 25 July 1792 in 84th yr. (g.s.); m. (1) at Glastonbury, 29 Sept. 1729, Hannah Smith, b. at Glastonbury, 24 June 1711, d. at Bolton, 2 Dec. 1785 in 75th yr. (g.s.), dau. of Gershom and Hannah (Judd) Smith; m. (2) at Eastbury, 15 Aug. 1787, Mary (Smith) (Brainard) Alvord, b. 7 Nov. 1728, dau. of Ralph and Mary (Mayo) Smith. Her name is given in Eastbury Church record of marriage as Mrs. Mary Brainerd, but a prenuptial agreement dated 13 Aug. 1787 and entered in Bolton records calls her Mary Alvord. She had m. (1) 24 Oct. 1754, Timothy Brainard, who d. 1759, and (2) at East Haddam, 21 Nov. 1765, Capt. Jonathan Alvord, who d. at Winchester, Conn., 28 June 1784. Adm'n on Richard Risley's estate was granted, 7 Aug. 1792, to Joseph Carver and Mary Risley of Bolton, with Samuel Cooley

surety. The estate was insolvent; among the creditors were Benjamin Risley, Thomas Risley, Theodore Risley of Coventry, and William Risley. For the following account of the children, all by the first wife, we are under obligation to the research of Mr. Herbert F. Seversmith:

1. Gershom⁵, b. ca. 1732; removed to Hanover, N.H.; m. Esther Smith, b. in 1735, dau. of Timothy and Esther (Webster) Smith.
 2. William, b. ca. 1740; d. at Patchogue, N.Y., Oct. 1814; m. traditionally a sister of William Beale.
 3. Theodore, b. (say 1742); d. at Bolton, in 1832, unm.
 4. Benjamin, b. 12 Feb. 1744; d. at Warren, Ohio, 12 May 1813; m. (1) Sarah Smith, b. ca. 1740, d. at Bolton, 3 June 1777 ae. 37; m. (2) Eunice (Grant) Pomeroy, b. 5 Apr. 1765, d. 14 Mar. 1828, widow of Daniel Pomeroy. He moved to Rutland, Vt., thence to Ohio.
 5. Chloe, b. (say 1746); d. at Bolton, in 1838, unm.
 6. Mary.
 7. (possibly) Dorothy, b. ca. 1750; m. Zebulon Furman of Patchogue, N.Y. (But vide John Risley, No. 7, ii, who had a daughter Dorothy of the proper age.)
 8. Hannah, b. ca. 1751; d. at Glastonbury, 20 Feb. 1753 in 34 yr. (g.s.).
 9. Richard, d. in infancy, 4 Aug. 1754.
 - iv. David, b. (say 1711); m. (1) by 1736, Abigail Dickinson, dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Crow) Dickinson; name of second wife not ascertained. Daniel Dickinson in 1736 appealed a case against Nathaniel Risley and Elizabeth his wife and David Risley and Abigail his wife (Colonial Records of Conn., 8:44). The will of Daniel Dickinson of Hartford, made in 1754, proves that Elizabeth (Risley-Hale) and Anne (Hills) were his only surviving children, but he gave a large legacy to a granddaughter, Abigail Risley, who was not daughter of Dr. Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Dickinson) Risley (see No. 6). Hence it follows that he had another daughter (who predeceased him) who also married a Risley and left a daughter Abigail; and as a corollary, that the defendants in the 1736 suit were two of his daughters with their husbands. David Risley removed to Greenfield, Mass., where he sold to his son, David, Jr., 5 Mar. 1764, and David, Jr., sold to Elijah Risley, 25 Sept. 1770. Family not traced, but by his first wife he had:
 1. Abigail⁵, b. ca. 1736; named in the wills of both her grandfathers; m. Justus Smith of East Hartford.
- Probable children by second wife:
2. David, b. ca. 1739; d. at Gill, Mass., 23 Jan. 1819 ae. 79 (g.s.); m. at Bernardston, Mass.,

- 25 Oct. 1764, Hannah Severance, bapt. 5 Feb. 1743/4, d. at Gill, 18 Mar. 1818 ae. 74 (g.s.), dau. of Lieut. John and Esther (Arms) Severance.
3. Eleazar, b. ca. 1742; d. at Gill, Mass., 24 Nov. 1810 ae. 68 (g.s.); m. Anna ———, b. ca. 1745, d. at Gill, 23 Nov. 1821 ae. 76 (g.s.).
4. Ruth, m. at Greenfield, 27 Oct. 1772, Benjamin Horsley.
5. Eunice, m. at Greenfield, 23 Sept. 1773, Ithamar Allen.
6. Elijah, b. ca. 1757; d. at Gill, 3 Apr. 1822; m. at Greenfield, 20 May 1777, Deborah Waters, b. ca. 1755, d. at Gill, 14 June 1814 ae. 59.
- 8 v. Job, b. in 1714; d. 30 Aug. 1797.
- vi. Ruth, b. (say 1717); living 1755; m. ca. 1737, Zephaniah Hollister, b. ca. 1715, d. at Glastonbury, 28 May 1749 in 34th yr. (g.s.).
- vii. Oliver, b. (say 1720); d. of old age, 7 July 1812 (South Manchester, Conn., Church record).
- viii. Sarah, b. ca. 1722; d. at Glastonbury, 15 Oct. 1775 in 54th yr. (g.s., Eastbury); m. ca. 1752-3, Daniel House, b. at Glastonbury, 21 Oct. 1720, d. there 24 Apr. 1762 in 43d yr. (g.s.), son of Joseph and Hannah (Porter) House.
- 9 ix. Thomas, b. ca. 1725; d. 1 Jan. 1813.

5. Jonathan³ Risley, born at Hartford, Conn., [say 1700], died at East Hartford, in 1762; married first, Abigail ———, who died at East Hartford, 13 May 1750, aged 47 (gravestone); married second, Dorothy ———, possibly Dorothy (Kilbourn) Cadwell, widow of John Cadwell.

Administration on the estate of Jonathan Risley was granted, 6 July 1762, to Moses and Nathaniel Risley, with Eleazar Abbe surety, all of [East] Hartford. The inventory showed an estate of £329.1.5. Distribution was made, 20 Feb. 1764, by the distributors, Samuel Wells, David Hills and Jonathan Wells, to the widow Dorothy Risley, and to Moses, Nathaniel, Richard, Jerusha and Rebecca Risley.

John Cadwell died before 1 July 1746, when administration was granted to his widow, Dorothy. She was still called Dorothy Cadwell on 6 Mar. 1749/50. The distribution that month names one of the Cadwell children as Ruth wife of Nathaniel Risley [see iii below].

Children, born at East Hartford:

- i. Jonathan⁴, bapt. 13 June 1725; d. young.
- ii. Moses, bapt. 22 Apr. 1727; d. at East Hartford, in 1781; will dated 22 Mar. 1781, inventory taken 25 Nov. 1781; m. Mary ———, b. ca. 1728, d. 14 Nov. 1808. Moses owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 5 Feb. 1749.
- Children, b. there:

1. Mary⁵, bapt. 5 Feb. 1749; m. William Hills, bapt. 20 Nov. 1748, son of William and Elizabeth Hills.
 2. Thankful, bapt. 6 May 1750.
 3. Moses, bapt. 28 Dec. 1751; d. young.
 4. Moses, bapt. 26 Nov. 1752; d. at Vienna, N.Y., in 1837; m. Ruth Bills.
 5. Abigail, bapt. 19 Jan. 1755; m. Daniel Brewer (see No. 3, iii, 2).
 6. Elijah, bapt. 25 Dec. 1756; d. in 1841; m. Phebe Bills.
 7. Elisha, bapt. 20 Jan. 1760; d. young.
 8. Allen, bapt. 6 Feb. 1763.
 9. Mindwell, bapt. 23 Nov. 1764; m. Eli Risley (see iv, 4, below).
 10. David, bapt. 23 Nov. 1766; d. 24 Aug. 1834; m. Cynthia Gillette.
- iii. Nathaniel, bapt. 24 Nov. 1728; m. Ruth Cadwell, dau. of John and Dorothy (Kilbourn) Cadwell. Nathaniel owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 17 Sept. 1749. Children, b. there:
1. Jonathan⁵, bapt. 17 Oct. 1749; d. 4 Apr. 1813; m. Phebe Deming.
 2. Nathaniel, bapt. 19 Jan. 1752; d. at East Hartford, 17 Apr. 1808 ae. 57; m. in 1779, Susannah Cadwell, who d. in 1812, dau. of John and Hephzibah Cadwell.
 3. Stephen, bapt. 3 Nov. 1754; m. (1) Lois ———; m. (2) Dorcas Vibbert.
 4. Ruth, bapt. 22 Jan. 1758.
 5. Jerusha, bapt. 27 Apr. 1760.
 6. Huldah, bapt. 9 May 1762; possibly m. at Wethersfield, 8 July 1792, Daniel Hale.
 7. Ward, bapt. 8 July 1764.
 8. Jeremy, bapt. 30 Nov. 1766; m. Mary Vibbert.
 9. George, bapt. 28 May 1769.
- iv. Richard, b. (say 1730); d. at East Hartford, 30 Oct. 1807; m. Naomi ———. Richard and Naomi owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 4 Aug. 1754. Children, b. there:
1. Richard⁵, bapt. 4 Aug. 1754. He and Dorothy his wife owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 11 Jan. 1784.
 2. Naomi, bapt. 17 Oct. 1756.
 3. Susannah, bapt. 4 Feb. 1759.
 4. Eli, bapt. 1 July 1764; m. Mindwell Risley (see ii, 9, above).
 5. Rebecca, bapt. 28 Oct. 1770.
 6. Jesse, bapt. 4 Aug. 1776.
 7. Solomon, bapt. 27 June 1779.
- v. Jerusha.
- vi. Rebecca.
6. Dr. Nathaniel³ Risley, born at Hartford, Conn., about 1702, died at East Hartford, 30 Sept. 1741; mar-

ried Elizabeth Dickinson, baptized at Wethersfield, Conn., 9 Feb. 1706/7, died at East Hartford, in 1780, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Crow) Dickinson. She married second, after 1746, Benoni Hale, born at Clastonbury, Conn., 23 Jan. 1706/7, died at East Hartford, after 1771, son of John and Mary (?Bevin) Hale.

The will of Daniel Dickinson of Hartford, dated 8 Nov. 1756, proved 14 Apr. 1768, gave his house to his daughter Elizabeth Hale and grandson Nathaniel Hale; land to grandchild Abigail Risley [see No. 4, iv]; and to his daughter Anne Hill, lands for life and then to her children, also lands that were Anne's mother's, the testator's first wife. His first wife was Elizabeth Crow, daughter of Nathaniel, and she was born about 1685 and died before 6 Feb. 1709/10 [Manwaring's Digest, 1:435-6]. She was certainly mother of Elizabeth (wife of Nathaniel Risley) and of Anne (wife of John Hills); and probably mother also of Abigail wife of David Risley [No. 4]. Daniel Dickinson married second, at Hartford, 4 July 1716, Mary Williamson.

The will of Dr. Nathaniel Risley, dated 28 Sept. 1741, named his wife Elizabeth and three daughters, Elizabeth, Zerviah, and Deborah. His widow, with her second husband, Benoni Hale, joined in a number of deeds of Dickinson heirs. The will of Deborah Risley, dated 6 Dec. 1765, proved 25 Mar. 1770, mentioned her mother Elizabeth Hale; Jemima Hale (a step-sister); and her sisters Elizabeth Warren and Zerviah Easton.

On 1 Jan. 1773, William Warren, Jr., and wife Elizabeth, and Zerviah Easton, of Hartford, sold land distributed to "our sister" Deborah Risley out of the estate of "our father" Nathaniel Risley, reserving use of her thirds to "our mother" Elizabeth Hale.

Administration on the estate of Elizabeth Hale was granted, 6 June 1780, to William Warren, Jr., and Nathaniel Hale. Distribution was made, 6 May 1784, to Nathaniel Hale, to the heirs of Elizabeth Warren, and to the heirs of Zerviah Wiles.

Children, born at East Hartford:

- i. Elizabeth⁴, b. (say 1734); m. William Warren, Jr.
- ii. Zerviah, bapt. 25 July 1736; owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 13 Aug. 1758; m. (1) ——— Easton; m. (2) ——— Wiles.
- iii. Deborah, bapt. 16 Nov. 1740; d. 23 Dec. 1765 in 23d yr. (g.s.).

7. John⁴ Risley, born at Hartford, Conn., [say 1700], died at East Hartford, in 1777; married about 1723, Fannah Keeney, born at Hartford, 7 Jan. 1700/1, living 1777, daughter of Joseph and Fannah (Hills) Keeney.

His will, dated 7 Nov. 1777, proved 21 Nov. 1777,

named his beloved wife; son John, to have land lately fallen to me by my Brother; sons Benjamin and Joshua; daughters, Sarah Roberts, Mary Abbey, and Hannah Deming; wife and son Joshua, executors. Witnesses: Eliab Pratt, Timothy Roberts, John Wells. Dower was set out to the widow Hannah, 16 Dec. 1777.

Children, born at East Hartford:

- i. Sarah⁵, bapt. 12 July 1724; m. David Roberts.
- ii. John, bapt. 24 July 1726; d. at East Hartford, 4 Feb. 1810; m. Anna Burnham, dau. of Charles and Dorothy (Keeney) Burnham. John and Anna Risley owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 29 Jan. 1749. Children, b. there: Anne⁶, bapt. 29 Jan. 1749; Dorothy, bapt. 17 Oct. 1749; John, bapt. 2 Mar. 1752; Asahel, bapt. 15 Sept. 1754; Martha, bapt. 8 May 1757; Trvphena, bapt. 12 (or 2) Aug. 1759; Violet, bapt. 14 Feb. 1762; Lucy, bapt. 20 May 1763; Elizabeth, bapt. 11 Jan. 1767; Comfort, bapt. 10 Dec. 1769; Russell, bapt. 23 July 1773.
- iii. Hannah, bapt. 8 Sept. 1728; d. young.
- iv. Benjamin, b. abt. 1731; d. at Orford (South Manchester), Conn., 1 Apr. 1807 ae. 76; m. Mary Abbe, dau. of John and Martha Abbe. Mary wife of Benjamin owned the Covenant at East Hartford, 9 Feb. 1752. Children, b. there: Timothy⁶, bapt. 3 May 1752, d. young; Levi, bapt. 12 May 1754, d. young; Timothy, bapt. 30 Nov. 1758; Levi, bapt. 13 July 1760; Nehemiah, bapt. 3 Oct. 1762; Sarah, bapt. 30 Sept. 1764; Chloe, bapt. 18 Jan. 1767; Allen, bapt. 30 July 1769; Michael, bapt. 4 Aug. 1771; Theoda, bapt. 10 Oct. 1773.
- v. Mary, m. Eleazar Abbe, bapt. at East Hartford, 30 June 1728, son of John and Martha Abbe.
- vi. Hannah, bapt. 27 Feb. 1736/7; d. 8 Nov. 1822; m. Lemuel Deming, son of Timothy and Thankful (Risley) Deming.
- vii. Joshua, b. ca. 1742; d. at East Hartford, 12 Oct. 1822 ae. 80 (g.s.); m. (1) at Wethersfield, 17 Feb. 1765, Sarah MacLeod (McCloud), b. ca. 1745, d. at East Hartford, 6 Sept. 1800 ae. 55 (g.s.); m. (2) Damaris (Buckland) Abbe, who d. at East Hartford, May 1817. He and his wife Sarah owned the Covenant at East Hartford 1 Jan. 1767. Children by first wife, b. there: Sarah⁶, bapt. 11 Jan. 1767; Hannah, bapt. 16 Oct. 1768; George, bapt. 12 Aug. 1770; Joshua, bapt. 16 Aug. 1772; Esther, bapt. 30 Oct. 1774; Timothy, bapt. 3 Aug. 1777; Anne, bapt. 14 May 1780; Milly, bapt. 25 Jan. 1784; Norman, bapt. 25 June 1786.

8. Job⁴ Risley, born in 1714 (gravestone), died at Glastonbury, Conn., 30 Aug. 1797 in 84th year (gravestone); married first, at Glastonbury, 17 Oct. 1741, Mary Bidwell, born at Glastonbury, 19 Sept. 1714, died there 15 Apr. 1742, daughter of Ephraim and Elizabeth (Lewis) Bidwell; married second, at Glastonbury, 8 July 1742, Beriah Fox, born at Glastonbury, in 1721 (grave-

stone), died there 9 July 1811 (gravestone), daughter of Joseph and Esther (Sparks) Fox.

Administration on his estate was granted, 22 Sept. 1797, to Benjamin and Noah Risley, with George Risley surety, all of Glastonbury. The estate inventoried at £1382.9.2. Dower was set out to the widow, Beriah Risley, 14 Aug. 1798, and distribution made to the children: heirs of Job Risley dec'd; Benjamin Risley; Noah Risley; George Risley; Joseph Risley; Reuben and Samuel Risley (had sold their interest); heirs of Beriah Webster dec'd; Mary wife of Samuel Smith; and Esther wife of Samuel Price. Distribution was made 3 Jan. 1799 to grandchildren, the children of Job [Jr.]: Russel Risley; Jehiel Risley; Onner wife of Elisha Beach; Lucretia wife of John Allen; Betsy wife of Ebenezer Smith; Molly wife of Benjamin Roberts, Jr.; Pruda Risley; Elihu Risley; and Anne Risley.

Child by first wife:

- i. Benoni⁵, d. 15 Apr. 1742.

Children by second wife, born at Glastonbury:

- ii. Job, b. 3 Mar. 1743; d. 23 May 1786 ae. 42 (g.s., Old Hockanum graveyard, East Hartford); m. at Glastonbury, 17 June 1762, Mary Webster, b. at Glastonbury, 8 May 1745, d. there 7 Dec. 1784, dau. of Jonathan and Mabel (Risley) Webster. Children:
 1. Russell⁶.
 2. Onner, m. Elisha Beach.
 3. Lucretia, m. John Allen.
 4. Jehiel (known as Capt. Hiel), b. ca. 1769; d. at Glastonbury, 14 Nov. 1844 ae. 75 (g.s.); m. Dorothy Porter, b. ca. 1772, d. 12 Nov. 1859 ae. 87 (g.s.).
 5. Betsey, m. 22 Sept. 1791, Ebenezer Smith, bapt. 4 Mar. 1764, d. 1 Oct. 1826, son of Israel and Mary (Treat) Smith.
 6. Molly, m. Benjamin Roberts, Jr.
 7. Prudence, d. at Oneida, N.Y., 26 Sept. 1865; m. 27 Nov. 1802, Elisha Sage, b. 12 Jan. 1779, d. at Durhamville, N.Y., 28 Apr. 1854. The youngest of their seven children was Russell Sage, the prominent financier.
 8. Elihu.
 9. Anne, m. ——— Vibberts.
- iii. Reuben, b. 5 June 1745; d. at Eastbury, 4 Dec. 1811 (g.s.); Captain; m. at Glastonbury, 14 Apr. 1768, Mercy Miller, b. ca. 1745, d. at Eastbury, 23 Jan. 1807 ae. 62 (g.s.), dau. of William and Elizabeth (Hollister) Miller. Children, b. at Glastonbury (Eastbury):
 1. Reuben⁶, b. 14 Jan. 1769; d. at Eastbury, 17 Dec. 1850; res. (1813) Truxton, Cortland Co., N.Y.; m. 9 Feb. 1794, Sabra Webster, b. at Bolton,

- Conn., 20 July 1770, d. at Truxton, 12 Aug. 1855, dau. of Joseph and Ruth (Loomis) Webster.
2. Mercy, b. 4 Jan. 1771; d. 26 Mar. 1830; m. at Eastbury, 4 May 1788, Capt. William Henry Turner, b. at Boston, Mass., in 1764, drowned near East Glastonbury, 25 June 1810.
 3. Susanna, b. 1 Mar. 1773; bapt. 14 May 1773; d. in 1848; m. Jerijah Loomis, of Bolton, b. there 21 July 1769, d. in 1846, son of Jerijah and Sarah (Webster) Loomis.
 4. Wait, b. 9 Apr. 1775; bapt. 30 Apr. 1775; d. at Keeney Settlement, N.Y., 6 July 1836; res. (1813) Truxton, N.Y.; m. (1) at Hebron, Conn., 10 May 1800, Sally Phelos, who d. at Keeney Settlement, 12 Sept. 1803 ae. 26; m. (2) Polly Couch, b. 1785, d. 1862, dau. of Stephen and Abigail (Webster) Couch.
 5. Jemima, bapt. 28 July 1777; d. in 1860; res. (1813) Hebron, Conn.; m. Jacob Loomis, b. at Bolton, 5 Feb. 1772, d. in 1833, son of Jacob and Mary (Mann) Loomis.
 6. Roxine, bapt. 20 June 1779; d. in 1829; m. at Eastbury, 29 Nov. 1798, Simon Atherton, Jr., b. 6 Feb. 1776, d. in 1851; res. Bolton.
 7. Noah, bapt. 28 Oct. 1781; d. at Surinam, 2 Feb. 1805 in 24th yr. (g.s.); m. Charlotte Russell.
 8. Roger E., b. in 1784 (g.s.); bapt. 28 June 1787; d. in 1865 (g.s.); m. Elsie Bissell, b. 1788, d. 1837.
 9. Patience, b. in 1786; bapt. 28 June 1787; later called Content; d. in 1871; m. at Eastbury, Sept. 1806, Isaac S. Rowlev, b. 1782, d. 1852.
 10. Truman, b. (June 1788); bapt. 24 Apr. 1790; d. 26 Apr. 1790 ae. 1 yr. 10 mos. (g.s.).
 11. Truman, b. 1790 (g.s.); bapt. 8 May 1791; d. 1881 (g.s.); m. Elizabeth Keeney, b. 1796, d. 1867.
- iv. Benjamin, b. 26 Sept. 1747; d. at Glastonbury, 13 June 1822 ae. 74 (g.s.); m. at Glastonbury, 17 Nov. 1768, Ann Kilbourn, b. at Glastonbury, 16 Feb. 1748/9, d. there 28 Nov. 1819 in 72d yr. (g.s.), dau. of Joseph and Mary (Hollister) Kilbourn. His will, dated 8 May 1822, proved 17 June 1822, named sons Elisha and Isaac and grandsons Chester and Ralph Risley. Children, b. at Glastonbury:
1. Elisha^o, b. 24 Sept. 1770.
 2. Chester, b. 5 June 1774.
 3. Isaac, b. 10 Oct. 1777; d. 7 Nov. 1825 ae. 48 (g.s.); m. Ann ———, b. ca. 1779, d. 12 July 1836 ae. 57 (g.s.).
- v. Beriah, b. 21 Nov. 1749; d. 9 Feb. 1790; m. at Glastonbury, 3 Nov. 1772, Joshua Webster, b. 16 Apr. 1750, son of Jonathan and Mabel (Risley) Webster.
- vi. Noah, b. 21 Nov. 1752; d. at East Hartford, 17 Dec. 1800 ae. 42 (g.s., Hockanum); m. at East Hartford, 2 Nov. 1786, Mary Arnold. Adm'n on his estate was granted,

22 Dec. 1800, to Mary Risley of East Hartford and George Wrisley (sic) of Glastonbury, with Benjamin Risley of Glastonbury surety. Distribution was made, 7 Dec. 1801, to the widow, Mary, and the two daughters.

Children:

1. Lydia⁶.
2. Polly.
- vii. Mary, b. 30 Jan. 1754; m. at Glastonbury, 26 Jan. 1775, Samuel Smith, b. 19 Jan. 1753, son of Joseph and Hannah (Orvis) (Stevens) Smith.
- viii. Esther, b. 5 Mar. 1756; m. at Glastonbury, 24 Oct. 1777, Samuel Price, Jr.
- ix. Samuel, b. 21 Oct. 1759; d. 24 Apr. 1837; res. (1790) Simsbury, Conn.; m. 13 May 1781, Mary Huxford.
- x. George, b. 21 Mar. 1762; d. at Glastonbury, 19 Feb. 1840 ae. 78 (g.s.); m. Mary ———, b. ca. 1769, d. 14 Nov. 1826 in 58th yr. (g.s.). This branch spelled the name Wrisley.
- xi. Joseph, b. 30 July 1765; d. at Glastonbury, 4 Feb. 1809 ae. 44 (g.s.); m. at Glastonbury, 27 Mar. 1785, Anna Smith, b. 14 Aug. 1763, d. 17 May 1841 ae. 78 (g.s.), dau. of Benjamin and Anna (Tryon) Smith. Adm'n on his estate was granted, 20 Mar. 1809, to George "Wrisley," with Richard Smith and Joel Porter sureties. Dower set to the widow Anna mentions land bounded on land set out and leased to Beriah "Wrisley," mother of said Joseph.

9. Thomas⁴ Risley, born about 1725, died at Glastonbury [Eastbury], Conn., 1 Jan. 1813, in his 88th year (gravestone); married (recorded at Glastonbury) 15 July 1749, Elizabeth Burnham, baptized at East Hartford, 15 Oct. 1727, died at Eastbury, 29 Aug. 1801, in her 74th year (gravestone), daughter of William and Jerusha (Clark) Burnham.

He settled in Bolton, Conn., for a few years after marriage. He was of Bolton, 27 Mar. 1758, when he conveyed land in Glastonbury to Job Risley [Glastonbury Deeds, 6:29].

Thomas Risley of Glastonbury, for £100, conveyed 10 Oct. 1788 to Samuel Risley of Montague, Mass., 50 acres in East Hartford. Samuel Risley of Simsbury, Conn., obtained a judgment against Samuel Risley of Montague and took some of this land by execution, 4 Nov. 1790; and on 9 Aug. 1792, Samuel Risley of Montague sold to Oliver Risley of East Hartford, land in Orford Parish [East Hartford Deeds, 2:261; 3:508; 4:361].

The will of Thomas Risley of Glastonbury, dated 26 Apr. 1803, proved 2 Feb. 1813, gave to son Samuel £100 and half his wearing apparel; to daughter Elizabeth's female heirs a third of the furniture; to daughters Rebecca and Lois, £20 and a third of the furniture each; to granddaughter Mille House, £20; to son Thomas Risley his house, barn and land and half his wearing apparel,

he to be executor. Witnesses: Peuben Fisley, Marcy Fisley, Roger Fisley.

On 8 July 1750, twin children, Elisabeth and Abigail, were baptized at Bolton to "Charles & Elisa Fisley." [New England Hist. and Gen. Register, 52:410.] Since no Charles Fisley of this time and place is known, and Thomas had a wife Elizabeth and lived after marriage at Bolton, it is believed that the record may be a mistake or a misreading, and that the twins may have belonged to Thomas. If so, they died young.

Children, the first four recorded at Bolton:

- i. Elisabeth, b. 11 Jan. 1752; d. at Eastbury, 20 Sept. 1794 in 43d yr. (g.s.); m. at Glastonbury, 31 May 1769, William House, b. ca. 1744, d. 19 Dec. 1801 ae. 57, son of William and Hannah (Hollister) House.
- ii. Rebecca, b. 9 Oct. 1754; m. at Eastbury, June 1770 (or 25 Aug. 1770 by Bible record), Lazarus House, b. 14 Apr. 1748, d. after 1817, son of William and Hannah (Hollister) House.
- iii. Samuel, b. 20 Nov. 1756; d. at Montague, Mass., 3 May 1831 ae. 74 (recorded at Greenfield, Mass.); m. at Eastbury, 8 Dec. 1783, Experience Hollister, b. 1758, d. at Greenfield, Mass., 11 Apr. 1836 ae. 78, dau. of Capt. Elisha and Experience (Robbins) Hollister. Children recorded at Eastbury: Electa^c, bapt. 26 Sept. 1784; Experience, bapt. 6 July 1788; presumably others after removal of the family to Montague.
- iv. Thomas, b. 16 Oct. 1758; bapt. at Bolton, 29 Oct. 1758; d. at Glastonbury, 30 Mar. 1759.
- v. Lois, bapt. at Bolton, 30 Mar. 1760; d. at Glastonbury, 19 Mar. 1761.
- vi. Lois, b. at Glastonbury, 29 Jan. 1763; d. at Eastbury, 27 Jan. 1843 ae. 80 (g.s.); m. at Eastbury, 9 Feb. 1786, Joel House, b. at Glastonbury, 8 Aug. 1761, d. at Eastbury, 29 Oct. 1835 ae. 75 (g.s.), son of William and Hannah (Hollister) House.
- vii. Thomas, b. at Glastonbury, 18 Jan. 1765; d. at Eastbury, 10 Apr. 1849 ae. 85 (g.s.); m. at Eastbury, 28 Sept. 1787, Thankful Andrews, b. at Newington, Conn., 19 Mar. 1767, d. at Eastbury, 14 May 1834 ae. 67 (g.s.), dau. of Benjamin and Anne (Churchill) Andrews. She was bapt. at Eastbury, 4 May 1788. Children, recorded at Eastbury: Harriet, bapt. 4 May 1788, d. 14 Sept. 1794 ae. 9 (!); Betsey, bapt. 11 Apr. 1790; Amelia, bapt. 26 Apr. 1792, d. 24 Sept. 1794; Thomas Sherman, bapt. 20 Apr. 1794, d. 30 Sept. 1794; Thomas Sherman, bapt. 14 Oct. 1795; Harlow, bapt. 3 May 1797; Alvin, bapt. 22 June 1800.

Note: Research on some branches has been far from thorough, and the account given could be considerably amplified by further "digging" in record sources; nevertheless, it serves to rectify some of the defects and deficiencies of the printed genealogy of the family.

JOHN EARLL OF SMITH'S CLOVE, ORANGE CO., N. Y.

By William Herbert Wood, B.A., F.A.S.G.

In the July 1949 issue of The American Genealogist, Mrs. Ralph A. Vail has published an interesting article in which she presents evidence of a circumstantial nature that John Earll of Smith's Clove, who married Rachel Adams, was probably a son of John and Abigail (Morris) Earle of New York City. She has been led to this conclusion chiefly by a statement made by Charles H. Weygant in Concerning the Ancestors of Ezra Earll and his wife Mary Sabin (1905), page 13, to the effect that John Earll and Rachel Adams were married in New York City. As will be shown, Rachel Adams lived in Pomfret, Conn., and was undoubtedly married there.

Rachel Adams was born in Pomfret, Conn., 27 Sept. 1716 [Pomfret V.R.] and was the daughter of Richard and Mary (Cady) Adams.

On 7 Dec. 1733, Richard Adams of Pomfret by deed of gift conveyed to his son-in-law John Earl and to his daughter Rachel, Earl's wife, 50 acres, "part of the farm on which I now dwell"—John Earl now living in Mortlake. Witnesses: Phinehas Smith, William Davison. [Pomfret Deeds, 2:179.]

On 1 April 1740, John Earl of Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess Co., N. Y., tanner, conveyed 50 acres in Pomfret to Elias Shavillier [his brother-in-law], of Pomfret, yeoman. Signed: John Earl, Rachel Earl (her mark). Witnesses: Daniel Bemiss, Ruth Bemiss (her mark). [Pomfret Deeds, 3:52.]

On 16 Jan. 1746[7], Nathaniel Earl and wife Sarah, and John Earl and wife Rachel, all living in Batemansberg [Beekman's Precinct], Dutchess Co., N. Y., Peter Adams, Richard Adams, Elias Shavillier and wife Mary, all of Pomfret, and David Kendall and wife Jane of Brookfield, Mass., for and in consideration that we have received in full our portions of all the estate that was our father's, Richard Adams, real and personal, therefore we do all and each of us acquit and discharge brother Josiah Wheeler and his wife Hannah of Western, Worcester Co., Mass., and our brother John Farr and his wife Eunice of Pomfret. Witnesses: Noah Adams, Jonas Golissah[?]. [Pomfret Deeds, 3:163.]

The Dutchess County Tax Lists first carry the names of Nathaniel Earl and John Earl in February 1739/40 in Beekman's Precinct. They are still listed there as late as June 1760. However, before John and Rachel (Adams) Earll left Pomfret, they recorded there the births of the following children: Eliza:, b. 22 Sept. 1733; John, b. 28 March 1735; and Mary, b. 14 Feb. 1736/7.

The will of John Earll of Smith's Clove, published in

Abstracts of Wills, New York (14:57, N. Y. Historical Society Collections, 1905), is the final link in the evidence offered. The will, dated 25 May 1781 and recorded 31 Aug. 1786, mentions his wife (though not by name); daughter Elizabeth, wife of James Lewis; sons, John, Samuel, Richard, Benjamin, Peter, Ezra, and Jonathan; and grandchildren, Joseph and Mary Holloway, presumably children of his daughter Mary.

There is no evidence, so far as the writer is aware, that two John Earlls lived at Smith's Clove, a hamlet in Monroe, formerly in Cornwall, at this period, each with a wife named Rachel Adams, and each with children John and Elizabeth; and it would be an astonishing coincidence were that the fact. Attention should also be called to the names of the sons Richard and Peter, after the father and brothers of Rachel (Adams) Earll.

In the Introduction to the Earle Family (1888) by Fliny Earle is an unplaced branch of the Earle family, which generally spells the name with double 'l' and no final 'e'. This is the family to which John Earll of Smith's Clove belonged. Invaluable information was supplied from 1859 to 1861 by Judge Nehemiah Earll of Syracuse, N. Y. He was a great-grandson of Nathaniel Earll and stated that Nathaniel and a brother William married sisters named Adams, and that they were sons of a William Earll who came to this country from Wales to Rhode Island some time previous to the year 1700. Most of Judge Earll's statements check with public records, but it was not the brother William who married an Adams; it was, as has been seen, the brother John. There was, however, a brother William (called "jr." in Pomfret records), who married at Pomfret, 12 Jan. 1725, Elizabeth Mials (Miles). He lived and died in Pomfret.

This branch of the Earll family is still unplaced. It is highly probable that Nathaniel, John and William are the sons of a William Earll, who may have had a wife named Elizabeth. Other children of the elder William may have been: Mary Earll, who in 1716 married John Franklin, later of Dutchess County; Sarah Earll (erroneously printed Mary), who in 1717 married Samuel Rice; and Elizabeth Earll, who in 1724 married Benjamin Bugbee.

Finally, it may be worth noting that Pomfret, Conn., lies only a few miles from the Rhode Island border, and hence that the traditional statement reported so long ago by Judge Earll, if wrong at all, is not, geographically speaking, very far wrong.

Editor's Note: It is surprising to have three different views of the origin of John Earll or Earle presented in rapid succession. Impartially studied, the evidence and conclusions here set forth by Mr. Wood would seem hard to refute. However, proponents of other views, if they have new evidence to offer, will be accorded space.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO AUSTIN'S
GENEALOGICAL DICTIONARY OF RHODE ISLAND

By G. Andrews Moriarty, A.M., LL.B., F.S.A.

(Previous instalments have appeared in Vols. 19, 20, 21 and 24)

BROWN. (Henry, p. 28.) He came from Rusper, co. Sussex, where he was baptized 28 Dec. 1626, the son of William and Jane (Burgis) Brown. William and Jane were married at Rusper on 20 June 1611. William was perhaps the son of Joseph Brown of Rusper. William Brown also came to New England and settled at Saybrook, Conn., after 1645, and died on Long Island in 1650.

Phoebe Brown, daughter of William and Jane, was baptized at Rusper on 12 July 1601 and married Thomas Lee of Rusper. Their son Thomas, baptized at Rusper 29 Sept. 1644, settled at Lyme, Conn., and was the ancestor of the Lees of Lyme. His sister, Jane Lee, baptized at Rusper, 12 Sept. 1640, married 1st, Samuel Hyde of Norwich, Conn., and 2nd, John Birchard. She was the aunt of Joshua Hempstead of New London. [New England Hist. and Gen. Register, 61:116-118.]

Note: Attention should also be called to the article of Mary Lovering Holman in The American Genealogist, 15: 84-86, which shows that William Browne (father of Henry and Phoebe) was baptized at Horley, co. Surrey, (son of Rev. Joseph and Margery (Patching) Browne of Horley and Rusper), on 5 Dec. 1585; and that this William Browne's sister, Sarah, baptized at Rusper, 22 Oct. 1592, married Arthur Fenner and became mother of the Rhode Island Fenners.—D.L.J.

CRANSTON. (John, p. 60, 1st col.) He was the son of the Rev. James Cranston, chaplain of Charles I and rector of St. Marys Overie or St. Saviour's Church, in Southwark. Rev. James was son of John Cranston of Bold, co. Peebles, Scotland, by his wife Christian, daughter of Sir Robert Stewart, uncle of John Stewart, Lord of Traquair. John was the eldest son and heir of James Cranston, portioner of Bold, probably by his first wife Jane Dewar, and James was undoubtedly a younger son of Sir William Cranston of that ilk by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew Johnston of Elphiston, the ancestors of Lord Cranston. The descent has been traced to Andrew de Cranston of that ilk, who died before 1338.

Gov. John Cranston was brought over as a lad to New England about 1637 by Jeremiah Clarke, whose daughter he married. His wife's will, dated 1 Nov. 1708, was proved 10 June 1711. She names her children Samuel, John and Benjamin, Elizabeth Brown and Henry Stanton, son-in-law John Brown, grandsons John and Robert Brown, John Cranston (son of Gov. Samuel), and granddaughter Mary Cran-

ston. A full account of the Cranstons, by William Jones, A.B., of Mount Vernon, N.Y., will be found in the New England Hist. and Gen. Register, 79:57-66, 247-268.

(William, p. 61, 2nd col.) This William should go in the third column. He was the grandson and not the son of Gov. John Cranston. He was the son of William² Cranston, son of Gov. John¹ [*ibid.*, 79:254, 258]. He was a shipwright, and was born 9 Dec. 1692. He deposed, aged 80 years, on 23 Aug. 1773, in the Chancery Case of Pope vs. Smith, and described himself as "nephew of Henry Stanton, shipwright" and of "John Cranston, who married a daughter of Walter Newbury" [Sr.] [Chancery Proc. 1758-1800, No. 932, preserved in the Public Record Office, London; cf. Register, *op. cit.*, 100:219]. He was bequeathed by James³ Cranston (Gov. Samuel², Gov. John¹), in his will, dated 2 Nov. 1731, a silver snuff box, with the name of his father, William, engraved upon it, which Gov. Samuel, by his will, dated 17 Mar. 1726/7, had bequeathed to the said James, his son [Register, *op. cit.*, 79:254].

In place of this William substitute William² (Gov. John¹), born about 1670, died, probably at Newport, before 1697. Married Mary or Marcy, born 4 June 1668, daughter of John and Mary (Harndel) Stanton of Newport [*ibid.*, 100:219]. She married 2nd, about 1696, Samuel Gibbs of Jamestown, R.I., and had issue. She died probably in 1732 [*ibid.*, 79:254].

FENNER. (Arthur and William, pp. 74, 75.) They were not sons of Thomas of Branford, Conn., as suggested by Austin, but his brothers. Arthur Fenner of Horley, co. Surrey, son of Thomas Fenner, of Horne, co. Surrey, married Sarah Browne, baptized at Ruspur, co. Sussex (see Brown, above), 22 Oct. 1592. Their children include the following, all baptized at Horley: Sarah, bapt. 26 Nov. 1615, married 1st, at Horley, 17 Oct. 1637, John Tully, with whom she settled in Saybrook, Conn., and 2nd, at Saybrook, Dec. 1647, Robert Lay; Thomas, bapt. 20 July 1617, died at Branford, Conn., 15 May 1647; Arthur, bapt. 17 Oct. 1619, settled in Providence, R.I.; William, bapt. 11 Sept. 1625, settled in Newport, R.I.; John, bapt. 13 Feb. 1630/1, settled in Saybrook, Conn.; and Phoebe, bapt. 5 Jan. 1633/4, married a Ward, probably William Ward of Middletown, Conn. See the article of Mary Lovering Holman in The American Genealogist, 15:80-84.

—D.L.J.

STANTON. (Mary³, John², Robert¹, p. 389, 3rd col.) She married 1st, about 1690, William² Cranston (John¹) and had issue: ? Benjamin of Marcus Hook (Chichester), Penn.; William of Newport, born 9 Dec. 1692 (cf. above). She married 2nd, about 1696, Samuel Gibbs of Jamestown, R.I., and died probably in 1732. [Register, *op. cit.*, 79:254; 100:219.] By Gibbs she had issue: Siles, born

31 Oct. 1697; Amey, born 19 June 1699; Samuel, born 11 Feb. 1701/2; Hannah, born 31 Dec. 1702; and Phebe, born 13 Aug. 1704 [Arnold's Vital Record of R.I., Jamestown, p. 22, which requires verification].

INDEX TO GENEALOGICAL PERIODICALS
SUB-TITLE: TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF THE INDEXER

Some of our subscribers are wondering what has happened to our "annual" index to genealogical periodicals since the publication of the bound Volume II which cumulated the annual indexes to the end of 1946. This left 1947 and 1948 to be covered by subsequent annual indexes (which have not appeared) and a third year, 1949, is now far advanced.

Well, here is the sad story. The indexing was carried on through 1947, but three magazines were so tardy with their October issues that they had not been published by the end of the year. In January, 1948, New Haven was visited by constant snowfall, your indexer's car was laid up because of a skidding accident, and when he was able to visit the library again, the three recalcitrant magazines had finally sent out their October numbers, -BUT all the 1947 issues had been removed from the library for binding. Months later, two of those which had been missed reappeared, bound, on the library shelves, but at this writing the third, for reasons unknown, is still missing.

Meanwhile, the indexing of 1948 was proceeding, and it was planned to publish an index for the two years together. In the autumn of 1948, your indexer's mother, in her 94th year, began a physical decline, and on Nov. 12th fell and broke her hip. She was in hospital for twelve weeks, nearly half that period on the danger list. The indexing of magazines had to be laid aside during these weeks, because of the strain and anxiety the indexer was under, and the necessity of keeping up with professional work to offset in part the deficit spending resulting from this illness. When indexing was resumed early in 1949, lo, three more tardy October issues had arrived and these volumes removed for binding!

The missing issues, as yet unindexed, will eventually reappear in the library in bound volumes, and can then be covered. The best plan now is to try to bring out a three-year index (1947, 1948 and 1949) in paper covers, not as a part of The American Genealogist. In this form it will be easier to use than if split in three separate volumes of our magazine; but a separate charge will have to be made, sufficient to pay for the separate litho-

printing cost. However, after the experiences of the past two years, it seems unwise to make definite promises or commitments. When, as and if the index is ready announcement will be made.

Your indexer is older than he was, yet still far from aged; he may be lazy by nature, yet still forces himself to remain industrious; just why he should now be plagued with these unfortunate accidents, which never previously occurred throughout many years of indexing, is past his comprehension. It is hoped that subscribers will understand that the production of our magazine and everything connected with it is immensely more difficult than it was in earlier years. Preparation of the master copy for lithoprinting each issue and the name index for each volume requires the investment of increased time and labor. Because of the high wage scale now prevailing, it is not easy to obtain capable assistance at a price the magazine or its editor can afford to pay, and federal and state taxation, even though not onerous in themselves, impose an added burden in bookkeeping and the filling out of various forms. To be frank, your editor often wonders why, under present conditions, the proprietors of small private ventures such as our magazine (or of any small business, for the matter of that) continue the effort to keep them going. The rewards are slight indeed, save only such satisfaction as may be derived from having achieved something in one's own field of work.

LEE RECORDS AND PROBLEMS

By Mrs. Hoyt E. Whelan, of Tecumseh, Mich.

Note: In tracing one of her own ancestral lines, Mrs. Whelan discovered many records pertaining to descendants of the Walter Lee family in Massachusetts and New York. She has kindly given permission for a condensation of some of these records to be published, as an aid to others who may be interested in these and cognate lines.

Walter Lee was a resident of Windsor, Conn., 18 May 1654, when he was made a freeman of Connecticut [Colonial Records of Conn., 1:256]. He moved to Northampton, Mass., by 1656, and shortly after having a child recorded in Springfield in 1665 settled in Westfield, Mass., where he spent the remainder of his long life, dying there 9 Feb. 1717/18.

His wife Mary died 29 Feb. 1695/6. He married second, Hepzibah (Daker) Pomeroy, widow of Caleb Pomeroy, the marriage occurring 1705 according to Savage, but 25 Jan. 1707 by other authorities. She died 18 Nov. 1711.

Consult, for Walter Lee and his children, Savage,

Genealogical Dictionary, 3:73; Lockwood, Westfield and its Historic Influences, 87, 92, 100-1; Sylvester Judd, manuscript "Northampton Genealogies" (in Forbes Library, Northampton), 4:332; Westfield Jubilee (1870), 123; and Old Hampshire Probate, 1:48, 51, 54, 68, 78, 117, 143, 153, 156.

Walter Lee had three sons who married, John, Stephen and Nathaniel. We follow the line of Nathaniel, who was born 25 Dec. 1663, presumably at Northampton though recorded at Westfield. He married Abigail Warner, daughter of Daniel Warner of Farmington, Conn. She was born about 1673, according to her age as stated in records of her father's estate [Manwaring's Digest, 1:375]. They had a number of children, most of whom died young. Nathaniel Lee died at Westfield, 26 Apr. 1745.

His will, dated 22 Feb. 1744/5, proved 21 May 1745, gave to his daughter Margaret Lee, £80; "Beloved grandchildren Daniel Lee and Nathaniel Lee, minors, and sons of well beloved son Nathaniel Lee, deceased," to have all the rest, equally divided between them. No wife mentioned. Well beloved cousin [nephew] John Lee to be executor. He signed by mark. Witnesses: Israel Ashley, Samuel Fowler, and Elisha Olds. [Old Hampshire Probate, 5:263-4.]

Nathaniel³ Lee, Jr., was born in 1700. He was living on 28 Jan. 1733/4, when certain lands were distributed and Nathaniel Lee Sr. received 20 acres, while Nathaniel Lee Jr. received 10 acres [Westfield Jubilee, 130-1]. Probably he did not long survive that date, and as we have seen, he died before his father in 1745, leaving two sons.

Daniel and Nathaniel Lee, minors above 14, chose Elad Taylor of Westfield to be their guardian, 13 March 1749 [Old Hampshire Probate, 7:245].

Nathaniel⁴ Lee was born presumably about 1734. He settled in Great Barrington, which was a part of the town of Sheffield until 1761. Taylor, History of Great Barrington (1st ed., p. 214) states that Nathaniel Lee, from Westfield, purchased of Luke Noble in 1759 and for many years followed the trade of blacksmithing.

Nathaniel Lee of Sheffield, blacksmith, bought of Luke Noble of Sheffield, 12 acres in Sheffield with a mansion house and barn, the land abutting on heirs of Moses Ingersoll [Pittsfield Deeds, 4:406]. 19 Mar. 1759.

Nathaniel Lee and Sarah Hubbell, both of Great Barrington, were "published" 3 Dec. 1763 [Cong. Church Rec. Great Barrington] and married 20 Dec. 1763 [V.F.].

The Vital Records of Sheffield, as supplied by the Town Clerk, give the following account of the family of Ithamar Hubbell [therein spelled Hubbill], the father of Nathaniel Lee's wife.

Ithamer Hubbill and Mabel Dewey, both of Sheffield, m. 19 May 1738. (Another copy reads 1736.)

Major Ithamer son of Jonathan Hubbill of Newtown, d. 14 Dec. 1760.

Mabel wife of Major Ithamer Hubbill, dau. of Samuel and Rebeckah Dewey, d. 28 Dec. 1760.

Children of Ithamer and Mabel Hubbill:

Rhode, b. 20 Jan. 1738, d. 3 Mar. 1738 (1738/9?)

Ithamer, b. 3 Feb. 1740 (1740/1?), d. 11 Nov. 1755.

*Sarah, b. 1 Sept. 1742.

John, b. 19 Feb. 1744/5.

Rhode, b. 14 Aug. 1747.

Joanna, b. 12 Mar. 1749 (1749/50?).

Jane, b. 12 Nov. 1754.

Ithamer, b. 27 Dec. 1756.

Tamor, b. Mar. 1760. (1 Mar. 1760 by the other copy.)

Ithamer Hubbell was a son of Jonathan and Peaceable (Silliman) Hubbell of Newtown, Conn. The probate of Jonathan Hubbell's estate in 1766 names, with others, the "heirs of Ithamar" [Jacobus, Families of Old Fairfield, 2:479]. Mabel Dewey, born 22 May 1718, was daughter of Samuel and Rebecca (Ashley) Dewey of Westfield and Sheffield [Life of George Dewey and Dewey Family History (1898), 244].

The List of Rateable English Inhabitants belonging to Mr. Hopkins' Congregation in Great Barrington, Mass., 12 Jan. 1762, includes the name of Nathaniel Lee [Mass. Archives, Boston].

Nathaniel Lee bought 16 1/4 acres on the east side of the Green River, 18 April 1769 [Berkshire Deeds, Pittsfield, 5:702].

On 17 Dec. 1773, Nathaniel Lee, Blacksmith, and Sarah Lee his wife, of Great Barrington, sold to John Ashley of Sheffield, 3 acres in Sheffield, and another tract there, 1/4 acre, with a house and barn standing on the same, being the house in which Ithamer Hubbell, Deceased, used formerly to dwell [ibid., 22:210].

On 3 Feb. 1789, Nathaniel Lee of Great Barrington sold to Timothy Younglove, William King, Benedict Dewey and Daniel Nash, all of Great Barrington, land in Great Barrington on west side of highway; abutters, heirs of Capt. Peter Ingersoll, dec'd, and David Church, dec'd; 14 acres now in possession of John Burghardt, together with all the buildings standing on same [ibid., 26:412].

The last sale marks the date of Nathaniel Lee's removal, after sale of the homestead. On 22 Feb. 1790, William Day and Rhoda his wife sold to Nathaniel Lee, "late of Great Barrington," land in Great Barrington, 4 acres, abutting said Lee's land, and the heirs of John Burghardt dec'd and on Moses Ingersoll and Truman Wheeler Esq., which premises were set off to said Rhoda as heir at law of Major Ithamer Hubbell [ibid., 28:210]. And on 2 March 1790, Nathaniel Lee of Chenango, Montgom-

ery Co., N. Y., yeoman, sold to John Burghardt of Great Barrington, Mass., 9 1/2 acres of land in Great Barrington, bounded north-west on Green River, south and east on land formerly belonging to John Burghardt dec'd and Conrad Burghardt, north on Moses Ingersoll's land, and west on land belonging to Truman Wheeler, Esq. [*ibid.*, 28:363].

There is no Nathaniel Lee estate in Berkshire County, Mass., nor was Nathaniel listed there in the 1790 Census. Montgomery County, N.Y., covered a wide area in 1790, afterwards split into several counties. At what is there called "Chenango," were only a dozen heads of families. It is worth noting that at what was called "Chemung," a total of 405 families were listed. We find at Chemung one William Lee, with two males under 16 years and one female; and some distance from him a Nathaniel Lee, himself and another male over 16 years and two females. Directly above Nathaniel Lee is listed Thomas "Ingerson." The town of Chenango, where, as will be shown, Nathaniel Lee settled, was in Tioga County after 1791 when that county was set off from Montgomery, and since 1806 in Broome County.

In October, 1781, Nathaniel Lee served twelve days on an alarm as a Private in Capt. Thomas Ingersoll's Company, Col. Ashley's (1st Berkshire County) Regiment, which marched to Stillwater, N. Y. [*Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in War of the Revolution*, 9:639]. Thomas Ingersoll earlier, when a Lieutenant, was listed as of Great Barrington [*ibid.*, 8:628]. The Ingersoll connection is of importance; it appears that Nathaniel Lee served under Capt. Thomas Ingersoll in 1781; at "Chemung" the name of Nathaniel Lee is listed in 1790 directly under the name of Thomas "Ingerson," a common variant of the name Ingersoll; and as we shall presently see, Nathaniel Lee bought his first land in 1790 in what is now Broome County from Thomas Ingersoll. Furthermore, Nathaniel Lee had a daughter who married Moses Ingersoll. A final bit of evidence is the fact that Thomas Ingersoll was made Lieutenant in 1796 in Tioga County in Major Commandant William Whitney's Battalion [*Council of Appointment, New York*, 1:355]. The Whitneys were prominent early settlers of Chenango [Binghamton], then in Tioga, later in Broome, County.

Capt. Peter Ingersoll (1733-1785) of Great Barrington had sons Thomas "who removed to western New York" and Moses who "resided at Chenango, Tioga Co., N.Y., in 1793." Moses Ingersoll, born at Great Barrington, 19 Dec. 1755, married Lavina Lee, born 13 Sept. 1767, daughter of Nathaniel Lee. [*Taylor, History of Great Barrington*, 232; *Ingersoll Genealogy*, 151; *Gazetteer of Tioga County*, 361.]

Nathaniel Lee had also a daughter Sally, who married Mason Webster, born at Lebanon, Conn., 23 Apr. 1768, and

removed to Chenango, Broome Co., N.Y.; she died about 1825, and he married second, Clarissa (Doolittle) Badger. [William Holcomb Webster, Genealogy of the Webster Family (1915), 326, which quotes the following deed from Berkshire County records.] On 8 Feb. 1793, Moses Ingersoll, Miney Ingersoll, and Loviney Ingersoll, Mason Webster, Sarah Webster, and Stephen Lee, all of a place called Chenango, in Tioga Co., N.Y., sold their right and title in the estate of Ithamer Hubbell, deceased, in the distribution set off to Sarah Lee, wife of Nathaniel Lee and daughter and one of the heirs of Ithamer, lands descending to our late mother Sarah Lee aforesaid, one of the heirs of said Ithamer. There is obviously something wrong in the three Ingersoll names; Moses Ingersoll and his wife Lavina (Lee) undoubtedly are intended, and the spelling Loviney is not surprising, but we cannot explain "Miney" unless she signed "Viney" [nickname for Lavina] and it was misread and taken to be another party to the deed. There should also be deeds from other children of Sarah (Hubbell) Lee, but not all deeds were recorded.

It is positively known that Sarah (Hubbell) Lee was living in 1773, and we learn from this deed that she was dead in 1793. Following the precedent set by most widowers of that era, Nathaniel Lee probably married again and may even have had children by a second wife; and of course any children by a later wife would not have been Hubbell heirs.

On 16 Aug. 1790, Thomas Ingersoll of Montgomery County, N.Y., sold to Nathaniel Lee of the same place, the equal one-half of the following parcel of land, in quantity and quality, beginning at a stake on the west bank of the Chenango river [etc.], containing 680 acres. [Broome County Deeds, A:59.]

On 10 Feb. 1795, Nathaniel Lee of Tioga County, N.Y., yeoman, sold to Mason Webster, "for and in consideration of the natural affection and love which he beareth unto the said Mason Webster, and other good causes," one equal one-half of 680 acres on the Chenango river, except two portions previously sold [*ibid.*, 3:213]. The same date, Mason Webster of Tioga County sold one-half of one-half of 680 acres, less some minor parts previously sold, to Stephen Lee of the same place, "in consideration of the said Stephen Lee consenting to be at half the expense of supporting Nathaniel Lee at all times hereafter during his natural life....." [*ibid.*, A:438].

It seems reasonably clear from these deeds that in 1795 Nathaniel Lee had no wife living. At this date he was, in all likelihood, a little over sixty years old. Hence, unless Sarah (Hubbell) Lee died some years prior to 1793, he may not have remarried.

Some details of interest are found in J. B. Wilkinson,

Annals of Binghamton (1872), pages 44, 75, 141. "Jesse Thayer, Peter Ingersoll and Thomas Ingersoll came in 1786." "Webster & Lee, brothers-in-law, established and conducted a distillery" [Mason Webster and perhaps Stephen Lee]. "We shall mention also the third death in the place, both because of its early date, and because of the more than ordinary sympathy it excited. It was that of a young lady who had with her father, Nathaniel Lee, and the rest of the family, migrated as early as 1789 into this country from Great Barrington, in Massachusetts. She was about eighteen years of age, beautiful in person, and possessed of more than ordinary accomplishments, having come from a place of polished manners. Her father had taken up a temporary residence with Mr. Ingersoll, who lived, it will be remembered, on the west side of the Chenango river, and opposite the point. A few months after their arrival she undertook to cross the Susquehanna upon the ice to Mr. Thayer's, who, it will be remembered, lived where Mr. C. Eldridge now does. It was in the latter part of the winter season, when the ice had become weakened; it broke, and she sank beneath it, to rise a lifeless corpse."

We thus have knowledge of four children of Nathaniel Lee: Lavina, b. 13 Sept. 1767, m. Moses Ingersoll; Sally, m. Mason Webster; Stephen; and a daughter, b. about 1771, drowned 1789-90. Since Sarah Hubbell was born in 1742, Nathaniel could have had younger children, born until well after 1780. But we have seen that he disposed of his realty in 1795, and the arrangement was for his son Stephen and his son-in-law Mason Webster to maintain him. Consequently, there is no probate found of his estate. It is quite possible that he did not survive for many years, and it seems almost certain that he was not living after 1818 when the first general pension act was passed, for being without realty of his own, he would presumably have applied for a pension. There were Lees in Chenango of the next generation who were probably younger children of Nathaniel.

On 2 May 1814, Orrin Seward and James Temple of Chenango, Broome Co., N.Y., sold to Clement French and Roland Lee of same place, 100 acres in lot 43, in Chenango, in Boston Purchase [Broome County Deeds, 4:181]. And on 14 Apr. 1819, Nathaniel Lee witnessed a deed given by Clement French and Eliza his wife, and Roland Lee and Polly his wife, to Sampson French, all of Chenango, being the south one-half of lot 43 [*ibid.*]. Then, on 18 Dec. 1824, Sampson French sold to Sarah Lee, wife of Nathaniel Lee, all of Chenango, 8 acres, part of lot No. 43, premises now being in the actual possession of Sarah Lee [*ibid.*, 13:36].

The relations of the French family with Roland and the second Nathaniel Lee were very close; the Lees were

probably brothers, and one or both may have married French girls. The land thus acquired by the wife of the second Nathaniel Lee seems to have been the home of his family for at least twenty years. Then, following the example of the first Nathaniel, it was conveyed to members of the family for maintenance.

On 5 Oct. 1842, Nathaniel Lee and wife Sarah, of Chenango, conveyed to Sabron Temple, wife of Freeman Temple, of Chenango, 8 acres beginning at southern corner of lot 43, Boston Purchase; "it is reserved that the said Sabron Temple cannot sell said land during the natural life of said Nathaniel and Sarah and that they are to reside on the premises during the said time." Chandley L. Seward was a witness. On 16 Sept. 1844, Freeman Temple and Sabron his wife sold to Harriet Seward wife of Chandley L. Seward, all of Chenango, the same property, "being premises conveyed by Nathaniel Lee and wife to said Sabron Temple." [*Ibid.*, 25:60, 522.]

As we shall presently see, the 1850 Census shows the Widow Sarah Lee, aged 79, born in Massachusetts, living with Chandley L. and Harriett Seward. Thus, indirectly, it is proved that the second Nathaniel Lee and his wife Sarah were parents of the Sabron and Harriet of the land records.

Let us now go back a few years and assemble such evidence as census records provide. These include the federal decennial census records, beginning in 1820, and the interim New York census records, all for the town of Chenango, except as otherwise specified.

1820 Census

Sampson French; one male and one female over 45.

Nathaniel Lee (next line below French); one male and one female over 45; one female 16 to 26; two males 10 to 16; two females under 10.

Roland Lee, one male and one female 26 to 45; one female under 10.

Stephen Lee, one male and one female 26 to 45; one female 10 to 16; one male under 10.

1825 Census

Nathaniel Lee (listed near Jedediah Seward); whole number of males, 3; number of males (18 to 45) subject to military duty, 1; number of voters, 1; whole number of females, 3; females under 16, 2; no unmarried females between 16 and 45; 1 female married within the year who lived in the family last year.

Roland Lee, living in Lisle; males, 2; females, 4; males subject to military duty, 1; voter, 1; married females under 45, 1; unmarried females 16 to 45, 1; females under 16, 2.

1830 Census

Nathaniel Lee; one male 60 to 70; one female 50 to 60.

(David Seward is listed; he had children who married Lees.)

1835 Census

Nathaniel Lee; whole number of males, 1; voters, 1; females, 1.
 Freeman Temple; whole number of males, 4; females, 2; one male 18
 to 45; one married female under 45; one unmarried female under
 16; one voter.

1850 Census

Chandley L. Seward	age 42	born New York
Harriett Seward	37	" "
Nathaniel E. Seward	15	" "
Sabron Seward	13	" "
William W. Seward	6	" "
Widow Sarah Lee	79	Mass.

It will be noted that Nathaniel Lee does not appear in the 1850 Census and that the widow, Sarah Lee, was living in the family of Chandley L. Seward; also that the property given by Nathaniel and Sarah Lee for their care in old age to Sabron Temple was two years later made over to Harriett wife of Chandley L. Seward; and finally that Harriett gave the unusual name of Sabron to a daughter. It can scarcely be questioned that Sabron Temple and Harriett Seward were daughters of Nathaniel Lee.

David Seward of Chenango, whose Bible record has been filed with the D.A.R. Library in Washington, D.C., had children: Chandler Lambert Seward, Silvanus Smith Seward, and Paulina Seward. The Bible gives the marriage of Paulina Seward to Thomas Lee on 2 Oct. 1831. A grandson of Silvanus stated that Chandler Lambert Seward married Harriet Lee; a granddaughter of Chandler stated that Chandler used to say he and Thomas Lee "traded sisters." This is good family evidence for placing Thomas Lee as a son of Nathaniel.

The daughter of Sabron Seward, Miss Elsie A. Robinson of Rogers, Ark., stated that her mother was Sabron Cecilia Seward, born 18 Oct. 1836, and she remembered hearing her mother speak of "Uncle Parley Lee," and "Aunt Charlotte Temple," and "Aunt Sally" who, she thinks, was Sally Eastman, and she felt sure they were own brother and sisters of Harriet (Lee) Seward. She thought that Sabron and Charlotte may have married brothers, sons of the settler James Temple, but was not sure of that.

With regard to Parley Lee, on 24 May 1831 Sampson French sold to Parley Lee, both of Chenango, 30 acres in Boston Purchase, bounded on the east line of lot No. 43, and later Parley Lee and his wife Mariah sold this land [Broome County Deeds, 13:416; 16:198].

From several members of the Seward family, the following facts and records have been obtained:

Chandler Lambert Seward and Harriet Lee were married in 1830; she died at North Plato, near Elgin, Ill., at the age of 51. They had children:

- i. Mary Jane, b. at Norwich, N.Y., 15 Nov. 1831; m. in 1848 Charles F. Holmes, and moved to Illinois in 1856.
- ii. Nathaniel Edrick, b. (1835, Census record); m. Permelia Holt and lived most of his life near Genoa, Ill.
- iii. Sabron Cecelia, b. at Romulus, N.Y., 18 Oct. 1836-7; m. near Plato, Ill., 1 Aug. 1858, William H. Robinson.
- iv. William Wallace, b. (1844, by Census record); m. Jane Owen; removed to Stanwood, Mich.

After Harriet's death, Chandler Lambert Seward married Eliza Babcock in December, 1865. Eliza had moved to Illinois with her parents just two months before. He was 56, and she 18, years old. As one of their children said, either they were acquainted before, or else it was a "whirlwind courtship." The point is of importance, because Eliza Babcock was great-granddaughter of William Lee who died at Sempronius, N.Y., in 1814. This marriage may point to cousinship, and hence relate William Lee to the Nathaniel Lee family. There were four children of this second marriage. Chandler L. Seward served in the Civil War. He died 7 Nov. 1882. Eliza (Babcock) Seward married second, John Cooper, and died 6 Feb. 1907.

The second Nathaniel Lee, called between 60 and 70 in the 1830 Census, was therefore born between 1760 and 1770, probably nearer to 1770; his wife was then aged 50 to 60, so was born after 1770, and that accords with the age of the widow Sarah Lee in the 1850 Census, stated as 79, which makes her born 1771. From the foregoing records and family knowledge, we place their children, order of birth not known, as:

Thomas, b. in Mass., 10 Nov. 1808.
 Harriet, b. in New York, 1813 (Census record).
 Sabron.
 Charlotte.
 Sally (or Sarah).
 Parley.

The 1880 Census lists Thomas Lee at Summerfield, Monroe Co., Mich., and calls him aged 71, born in Massachusetts, and both his father and mother born in Connecticut. The obituary of Thomas Lee in the Petersburg Sun, a newspaper of Petersburg, Monroe Co., Mich., issue of 3 March 1893, reads in part: "Thomas Lee....died at his home north-east of town last Monday. Deceased was a well known pioneer of Summerfield, having lived in this township sixty years. He was born in Massachusetts Sept. 10, 1808....In 1810 he moved with his parents to New York and in 1830 was married to his deceased wife, Paulina Seward. In 1835 he came to Michigan. Three daughters and one son are left to mourn his loss: Mrs. Eliza Gillett, Mrs. Paulina Spalding, and Mrs. Lucy Smith, and Thomas F. Lee of this village."

Editor's Note. The above data, which the contributor does not claim to be complete or to be based on an exhaustive search, were obtained by her over the course of several years, as the result of much travel and research, and a great deal of correspondence. We have selected the records bearing on her specific problems, on which she will welcome further light from anyone who has records which may help. We publish them partly as an example of what an amateur can accomplish in tracing a New England family into New York State and further west, through the difficult period of migration to frontier regions where records were scantily kept; and partly for the intrinsic value of the records to other descendants of the Lee and Hubbell families.

The contributor in previous correspondence mentioned a couple of records omitted from her final article, which the editor feels should be mentioned.

One is a Great Barrington deed, dated 14 Apr. 1778, from Nathaniel Lee and Sarah his wife, Lucias King and Joanna his wife, Solomon Steel and Jane his wife, and William Day and Rhoda his wife, quitclaiming their interest in land formerly belonging to Major Ithamar Hubbel (Berkshire Deeds, 6:425).

Not only does this prove marriages for some of the other daughters of Ithamar Hubbell, but it proves that Sarah wife of the first Nathaniel Lee of Chenango was still living in 1778.

The other record is a sale 8 July 1800 by Stephen Lee and Lucy his wife, and Matthew (Mason?) Webster and Sally his wife, all of Union, Tioga Co. (later Broome Co.), N.Y., of land on west side of the Chenango river (Broome County Deeds, 1:172). The son Stephen Lee and son-in-law Mason Webster were the ones who in 1795 received Nathaniel Lee's tract of land and who were to maintain him for life. The deed sounds as though he may have died by 1800, freeing these heirs to dispose of the land.

From the various sources cited, it would seem that the second Nathaniel Lee, born before 1770 and hence in his twenties when the first Nathaniel removed to Chenango, N.Y., was left behind in Massachusetts and probably married there. It seems well established that his son Thomas was born in Massachusetts in 1808, so there is no reason to doubt the statement that this family did not move to New York State until 1810. The daughter Harriet, born about 1813, is entered in census records as born in New York. Thus, these records are in harmony. Furthermore, there are indications that the wife of the second Nathaniel may have been French; and some of the French family of Chenango are entered in census records as born in Massachusetts.

The only difficulty is the statement in the 1880 Census record that both parents of Thomas Lee were born in Connecticut. There is every reason to assume that his father, the second Nathaniel Lee, was born in Massachusetts, and we have the authority of the 1850 Census for the birth of his mother, Sarah, in Massachusetts. For one reason or another, mistakes were sometimes made in census records, and erroneous statements sometimes appear in them. This Connecticut statement may well be an error. Thomas Lee's wife descended from a Connecticut family, the Searwards.

Mrs. Whelan reported that she found mention in Berkshire Deeds, Mass., of Nathaniel Lee and Campbell Lee, both of Southwick, Hampshire Co., Mass., buying land in Becket, Berkshire County, 7 Mar. 1792, and this Nathaniel was interested in Becket land as late as

21 June 1797. Although the second Nathaniel Lee of Chenango appears to have remained in Massachusetts until about 1810, he was probably not the Becket Nathaniel, for whom a Southwick origin seems to be indicated.

The land which the second Nathaniel Lee of Chenango turned over to a daughter was abutted in 1844 by land "now in possession of David Lee." Hence, Nathaniel may also have had a son David, though he is not recalled in the traditional statements of descendants. David Lee, aged 41, with wife Abigail, 38, was listed in the 1850 Census.

The family Bible of Thomas Lee states his birth date as 10 Nov. 1808, instead of 10 Sept. 1808 as printed in the obituary. He married 2 Oct. 1831, Paulina Seward, and their children are given in the Bible as:

- i. Eliza Ford, b. 12 Aug. 1833; (m. Clinton Gillett).
- ii. Susannah Paulina, b. 5 Jan. 1835; (m. Joseph Hoover Spalding). She herself stated that she was born at Chenango, Broome Co., N.Y. Thomas Lee was not listed in the 1835 Census at Chenango, but his obituary says that he settled in Michigan in 1835.
- iii. Lucy Almira, b. 27 Oct. 1840; (m. John Smith).
- iv. George Washington, b. 9 Oct. 1842; d. 24 Sept. 1847.
- v. Thomas Farrington, b. 25 Aug. 1850; d. 19 May 1905.

Some interest attaches to the will of William Lee of Sempronius, Cayuga Co., N.Y., dated 29 Apr. 1809, proved 24 Oct. 1814. He gave to his wife Sarah a good maintenance while a widow, also all the household furniture "that was brought here to Sempronius from Salisbury" for life. Joseph Lee is to provide the maintenance in accordance with a bond given by Joseph to maintain the testator and his wife and minor children; except that John Lee is to be free from Joseph at 18 to learn some trade and be under a guardian until 21. The remainder of the estate is money at interest secured by the bond of Daniel Hurlbote, Esq., and is to be divided equally among those children who have not had their full portions. William Lee has had \$50.00 advanced; Samuel Lee has had \$150.00, which is his full portion; Joseph, Benjamin and John Lee are to have full shares; Sarah Lee or Putmin, Joanna Lee or Gregory, and Hannah Lee or Ferguson had received their full portions (\$60.00 or more); Sarah Lee or Gallagan has had \$20.00 advanced; Roselany Lee, Susannah Lee, Charlotte Lee, and Mary Lee are to be paid equal to the other children. The wife and Joseph Lee and Benjamin Lee to be executors. Administration was granted to Joseph Lee.

The daughter Susannah Lee, of Sempronius, married Abiram Babcock of Milo, Yates Co., N.Y., son of Charles and Catherine (Smith) Babcock; their son, Charles Smith Babcock, married Sally Osgood, and moved to DeKalb County, Illinois; and they were parents of Eliza Babcock, born at Penn Yan, N.Y., 15 Sept. 1847, who became second wife of Chandler Lambert Seward, whose first wife was Harriet Lee of Chenango (*vide ante*). A daughter of the second wife Eliza was sure that Mr. Seward's two wives were related. That raises the problem of where William Lee of Sempronius fits into the family picture. And from what Salisbury did William Lee bring furniture? There are towns of that name in Connecticut, New York and Massachusetts.

THE ENGLISH ORIGIN OF THE CONNECTICUT HARRISONS

Some years ago the late Mrs. Frank A. Corbin, of New Haven, Conn., obtained from the Parish Register of West Kirby, co. Chester, England, entries of the Harrison family from 1561 to 1620. It had long been known from a document printed in New Jersey Archives that this English town was the original home of Richard Harrison of Branford, Conn., ancestor of the Harrisons of Connecticut and New Jersey. A copy of these parish entries was given by Mrs. Corbin to Donald L. Jacobus of New Haven. At a later date, when working for a client interested in the Harrison family, it was decided, because of defects in the parish register, to obtain a copy of the Harrison entries in the Bishop's Transcripts at Chester covering West Kirby, and Mr. Jacobus effected this through the kind offices of Miss Lilian T. Redstone of Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Thus was brought to light the marriage of Richard Harrison in 1619 to Margaret Picke, which may well be the marriage of the colonist. However, even the Transcript had many missing years, and since two Richard Harrisons were having children baptized contemporaneously in the years following 1619, it was difficult to separate the two families and to identify the children of the colonist with any degree of certainty.

The Harrisons of West Kirby lacked the testamentary disposition, and there are virtually no Harrison wills for the crucial period. A fortunate circumstance was the discovery of the will of Thomas Picke made in 1643 which named his daughter Margaret wife of Richard Harrison; but apparently he named two separate groups of Harrison grandchildren, thus further confusing the issue.

Some of these facts were mentioned in Lineal Ancestors of Rhoda (Axtell) Cory (1937), 2:160, 161, but in view of the many uncertainties, the compiler thought best not to give the full English Harrison records therein. He has since returned the data to Mr. Jacobus, with permission to give them publicity if desired. Despite the unsatisfactory nature of the records, we feel that it is desirable to preserve the records by publication, for the benefit of the multitude of descendants. They will provide every student of the family with the opportunity to analyze the actual source material and to reach his own conclusions. And if any Harrison genealogist wishes to pursue the search further in England, he will know what sources have been covered and will be saved the necessity of duplicating work which has already been done.

The copies from the Bishop's Transcript are very precise and undoubtedly dependable, and the same may be said of the probate. However, we lack knowledge of who

abstracted the records from the parish register for Mrs. Corbin, and hence cannot guarantee the completeness or accuracy of these entries.

Parish Register of West Kirby
County Chester
1561 - 1619

- 1561 Ricardus filius Willmi Harrison, bapt. 15 Oct.
- 1563 Ellyn Harrison, sepult. 4 Jan.
- 1564 Katherine filia Willmi Harrison, bapt. Oct.
- 1566 Robert filius Richardi Harrison, bapt. 21 Aug.
- 1567 Richardus filius Thomas Harrison, bapt. 20 Feb.
Elizabetha filia Willmi Harrison, bapt. 7 July
William Harrison & Agnes Younge, 21 July (married)
Richard Harrison & Margery Monela, 23 Nov. (married)
- 1568 Agnes filia Thomas Harrison, bapt. (?) 25 Jan.
Ellyn filia Thomas Harrison, sepult. 10 July.
- 1569 Margery Harrison, bapt. 9 Mar.
Katherine Harrison, bapt. 11 July.
- 1571 George Balte & Joan Harrison, 8 July (married)
- 1574 Henry Harrison & Elizabeth Harrison, 20 Feb. (married)
William Johnson & Ellyn Harrison, 27 Feb. (married)
- 1575 John Harrison & Margaret Monela, 25 July (married)
- 1576 Alis Harrison, bapt. 30 April.
- 1577 Richard Harrison, sepult. 14 Mar.
- 1578 Ellyn Harrison, bapt. 6 Feb.
- 1579 Thomas Harrison & Margaret Smyth, 29 Nov. (married)
- 1580 John Harrison, bapt. 24 Apr.
William Shepart & Ellenar Harrison, 20 Aug. (married)
- 1582 John Harrison, bapt. 26 June.
Richard Harrison & Alis Rathbonn, 4 Feb. (married)
Margaret Harrison, sepult. (?)
- 1583 John Harrison, bapt. 17 Jan.
Henry Harrison, bapt. 13 Mar.
Thos. Toltie & Alis Harrison, (?) (married)
Thos. Harrison, sepult. 13 Dec.
- 1584 Anne Harrison, bapt. 27 Mar.
Margery Harrison, bapt. 22 July.
Joanna Harrison, sepult. 18 Aug.
- 1585 Anne Harrison, bapt. 28 June.
- 1586 Elizabeth Harrison, bapt. 7 Sept.
William Harrison & Jane Ansdall, 17 May (married)
- 1587 Thomas Harrison, bapt. 27 Apr.
William Harrison, bapt. 11 Aug.
Richard Harrison, sepult. 4 June.
- 1588 Elizabeth Harrison, bapt. 2 April.
Margaret Harrison, bapt. 16 Nov.
Katherine Harrison, sepult. 13 July.
- 1589 Thomas, Ricardi Harrison, bapt. 29 Aug.
Robert Harrison & Ellen Harrison, 9 Aug. (married)
Richard Harrison, sepult. 2 May.
William Harrison, sepult. 22 June.
- 1590 Ellena Harrison, sepult. 17 Aug. (Admon)
Richard filius Robert Harrison, bapt. 30 Oct.

- 1591 Margaret filia John Harrison, bapt. 6 June.
Richard filius Richard Harrison, bapt. 17 Sept.
Richard Harrison, bapt. 15 Sept.
- 1592 William Harrison, bapt. 19 Mar.
Catherine filia Thomas Harrison, bapt. 13 Nov.
Thomas Harrison & Anne Harrison, 14 Dec. (married)
Anne filia Richard Harrison, bapt. 27 Dec.
- 1593 Richard filius Richard Harrison bapt: erat xxxi die March
(in a later hand is added) Richard Harrison of Greasby
Margery Harrison, sepult. 5 Apr.
- 1594 William filius Richard Harrison, bapt. 21 Feb.
John Davi(?) & Katherine Harrison, 2 Feb. (married)
Elizabeth filia Thomas Harrison, bapt. 8 Feb.
- 1595 Ellena filia Willmi Harrison, bapt. 10 Apr.
Widon (Widow?) Harrison, sepult. 11 Apr.
Ellena filia Robart Harrison, bapt. 28 Apr.
Ellena Harrison, sepult. 2 May.
Ellena filia Richardi Harrison, bapt. 4 Sept.
John filius Richardi Harrison, bapt. 5 Nov.
- 1596 Ellena Harrison, sepult. 11 Jan.
Katherine filia Robart Harrison, bapt. 30 May.
- 1597 Elizabeth Harrison, sepult. 26 Sept.
Robart fil. Richardi Harrison, bapt. 15 Oct.
- 1598 Thomas fil. Willmi Harrison, bapt. 12 Mar.
Thomas fil. Richardi Harrison, bapt. 31 Oct.
- 1599 Margaret fil. Thomas Harrison, bapt. 19 Mar.
Richard Harrison & Ellena Newbould, 17 Dec. (married)
- 1600 Richard Ayrdsdale & Alice Harrison, 6 Jan. (married)
Anneta fil. Rich. Harrison, bapt. 26 Dec.
- 1601 Ellena fil. Rich. Harrison, bapt. 5 Jan.
Margaret Harrison, buried 5 Feb.
Robert Harrison & Alis Rimmer, 23 Feb. (married)
John son of Robert Harrison, bapt. 12 Mar.
John Harrison, sepult. 13 Mar.
Anneta filia Willmi Harrison, bapt. 7 June.
Elina filia Ryc. Harrison, sepult. 29 July.
Maria Harrison, sepult. 19 Nov.
Anna Harrison, sepult. 27 Nov.
- 1602 John son of Richard Harrison, bapt. 29 June.
Robert Harrison fil. Richardi, bapt. 28 Nov.
Elena filia Robert Harrison, bapt. 21 Nov.
Gryfus ap Titter & Elizabeth Harrison, 1 Aug. (married)
John Harrison, sepult. 18 July.
- 1603 John Harrison fil. Richard Harrison, bapt. 29 Apr.
Elizabeth Harrison fil. William Harrison, bapt. 3 May.
- 1604 Richard Leene & Elizabeth Harrison, 7 Dec. (married)
- 1604/5 James Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, bapt. 23 Mar.
- 1607 John Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, sepult. 9 Aug.
- 1608 George Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, sepult. 20 Feb.
William Warton & Joan Harrison, 15 May (married)
- 1609 Richard Harrison fil. John Harrison de Greysbie, bapt. 30 Mar.
- 1609/10 Thomas Harrison fil. Richard Harrison de Greasbie, bapt.
21 Feb.
- 1610/11 John Harrison fil. John Harrison, bapt. 16 Mar.
- 1610 Thomas Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, sepult. 16 Apr.
- 1611 Edward Harrison fil. Richard Harrison de Greasbie, bapt. 31

- Aug.
 1611 Edward Harrison fil. Richard Harrison de Greasbie, sepult.
 18 Sept.
 Richard fil. Richard Harrison de Kerbie, sepult. 15 Oct.
 1612 John Harrison de Meoles Parva, sepult. 30 Aug.
 Agneta (Agneta?) Harrison, anus et vidua, sepult. 31 Aug.
 1613 Elizabeth Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, bapt. 22 Apr.
 Richard Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, bapt. 14 Nov.
 Robert fil. John Harrison, bapt. 15 Nov.
 Elizabeth fil. Richard Harrison, sepult. 5 May.
 Margaret Harrison de Meoles Parva, sepult. 17 Feb.
 Henry Wright & Anne Harrison, 31 July (married)
 William Harrison & Anne Guile, 23 Dec. (married)
 1614 William fil. William Harrison, bapt. 21 Dec.
 Robert Harrison de Meoles Parva, sepult. 11 June.
 Alicia Harrison uxor Roberti Harrison, sepult. 19 June.
 Richard Remnier & Elizabeth Harrison, 21 Aug. (married)
 1615/16 Thomas Harrison fil. Richardi Harrison, junior, bapt. 1 Mar.
 Margaret fil. John Harrison, sepult. 11 Mar.
 1615 Thomas Dawbie & Elizabeth Harrison, 10 Apr. (married)
 1616/17 Ellen fil. Thomas Harrison, bapt. 4 Feb.
 Thomas Harrison fil. William Harrison, bapt. 7 Mar.
 William Yonge & Alice Harrison, bapt. 19 Jan. (sic in the
 abstracts supplied, but must mean married)
 John Harrison & Elizabeth Wright, 21 Jan. (married)
 Thomas Aptider & Katherine Harrison, 2 Mar. (married)
 1617 Thomas Harrison fil. John Harrison, bapt. 1 July.
 1617/18 Nicholas Harrison fil. Richard Harrison, bapt. 11 Jan.
 1617 Robert Harrison, senex de Greasbie, sepult. 1 Apr.
 John Harrison fil. John Harrison, sepult. 13 June.
 Richard Harrison, senex de Kerbie, sepult. 13 Nov.
 1618/19 Thomas Harrison fil. Thomas Harrison, bapt. 20 Mar.
 1618 Robert Harrison & Elizabeth Leens, 30 Sept. (married)
 1619 Margery Harrison fil. Richard Harrison, bapt. 19 Sept.
 Ellen Harrison fil. Robert Harrison, bapt. 21 Dec.
 1619/20 John Harrison fil. John Harrison, bapt. 4 Jan.
 Katherine Harrison fil. Willmi Harrison, bapt. 10 Jan.
 (There is a long gap in the Register from 1620 to 1692.)

Transcripts of the Parish Registers of West Kirby
in the Bishop's Registry, Chester

(Transcripts are extant for the years 1605, 1609, 1610, 1614, 1615, 1617, 1618, 1619, 1621-1624, 1626, 1627, 1630, 1631, 1636, missing 1637 to 1644 inclusive. Searched for Harrison, 1619-1636.)

- 1621 Henrico Harrison fill. Willmi Harrison baptizat fuit vi^{to} die
 Aprilis.
 Anna Harrison fill. Thomae Harrison baptizat fuit xii^o die
 Aprilis.
 Elena Harrison fill. Richi Harrison baptizat fuit xxvij^o die
 Decembris
 Robertc Harrison fill. Elizabetha Harrison baptizat fuit
 xxvij^o die Februarij
 Ellena Harrison fill. Richi Harrison sepult fuit xxvij die
 Decembris

- 1619 Alicia Pike baptizat fuit eodem die et Anno suprd. (xviij^{mo} die Junii)
 Margeriae Harrison baptizat fuit xix^{mo} die Septembris
 Ellena Harrison baptizat fuit xxj^{mo} die Decembris
 Johes Harrison baptizat fuit x^{mo} Januarij
 Johes Harrison baptizat fuit iij^{to} die Februarij
 Margeriae Harrison sepult fuit xvij^o die Septemb.
 Eliz. Harrison sepult fuit iij^{to} die Januarij
 Katherina Harrison sepult fuit vj^{to} die Februarij
 Matrimonium solemnizat inter Henricu Liniker et A Harrison
 tertio die Aprillis
 Matrimonium solemnizat inter Richardu Harrison et Margaretam
 Picke xxviij^{vo} die Julij
 Matrimonium solemnizat inter Johem Harrison et Ellenora Ur-
 meston xiiij^o die Februarij
- 1622 Henricus Harrison baptizat fuit eodem die (xij^o die Maij)
 Robertus Harrison baptizat fuit ij^{do} die Julij
 Elizabetha Harrison baptizat fuit xj^o die Augusti
 Margareta Harrison baptizat fuit xj^o die Februarij
 Henricus Harrison sepult fuit xxiiij^o die Maij
 Anthonius Picke sepult fuit xxj^o die Septembr.
- 1623 Eliz Harrison fill. Willm Harrison baptizat fuit xxj^o die No-
 vembr.
 Richardus Harrison sepultus fuit viij^o die Aprillis
 Richardus Harrison sepultus fuit xx^o die Maij
 Eliz. Harrison sepultus fuit xxviij^o die Maij
 Thom()rrison sepultus fuit xxviij (die Nove)mbris
 (The weddings for the year are missing)
- 1624 Margeria Picke fill Willmi Picke baptizat fuit xix^o die
 Aprillis
 Alicia Harrison fill Willmi Harrison baptizat fuit xiiij^o die
 Decembris
 Katherina Picke fill Johis Picke baptizat fuit iiiij^o die Mar-
 tij
 Johes Harrison sepultus fuit xxv^{to} die Martij
 Ellena Harrison sepult fuit xxix die Septembr
 Matrimonium solemnizat inter Willmum Harrison et Elizabetha
 Harrison primo die Augusti
 Matrimonium solemnizat inter Johem Bennett et Ellena Harrison
 v^{to} die Februarij
- 1626 Margeria Harrison fill Richi Harrison bapt fuit xiiij^o die
 Maij
 Elizabetha Harrison fill Richi Harrison bapt fuit xxj^o die
 Maij
 Alicia Picke fill Willmi Picke bapt fuit xxiiij^o die Septemb
 Johes Harrison fill Willmi Harrison bapt fuit xxij die Feb-
 ruarij
 Marg'ya Harrison sepult viij die Octob.
 Matrimonium solemnizat fuit inter Thoma Wright et Ellena Har-
 rison iij^o die Februarij
- 1627 Robertus Harrison fill Willmi Harrison bapt fuit xxv^{to} die
 Novemb.
 Thoms Harrison fill Richi Harrison bapt fuit secundo die De-
 cembris
 Anna Harrison fill Richi bapt fuit vj^o die Januarij

- 1627 Margeretta Harrison fill Richi Harrison sepulta fuit eodem die (xx^o die Aprilis)
- 1630 Ellena Harrison fill Richi Harrison bapt fuit xxv^{to} die Martij
 (?Joh)es Harrison fill Willmi Harrison bapt fuit xvij^o die Martij
 (?El)lena Harrison vid. de Kerbie, sepult fuit x()j^o die Februarij (between ij^o and xvij^o die)
 Matrimonium solemnizat fuit inter Thomam Harrison et Ellena Maddocke nono die ffebruarij
- 1631 Ellena Harrison fill Richi Harrison bapt fuit xxxiii^o die Aprilis
 Elizabetha Harrison sepult fuit xxj die Novembr.
- 1636 Richard son of James & Dorothy Harrison (bapt.) 24 (Sept.)

Note: Nicholas Setchell who signed the transcripts as curate from 1605 onwards was buried 14 July 1636, and that doubtless explains the transition from Latin to English in the 1636 entry. John Harrison was a churchwarden in 1619, and Thomas Picke held that office in 1624.

In the District Probate Registry, Chester
Chester Consistory Court

A.D.

1643 April 13 19 Chas.

Will of

William PICKE

In the Name of God, Amen, I William Picke of ffrankby in the county palatine of Chester, yeoman, being sicke

in bodie, To be buried at West Kirkby. I give my house wherein I now dwell in ffrankby and my lands of inheritance thereto belonging to my brother Thomas Picke of Gresby and the heirs male of his body subject to payment of six score pounds to my brother Henry Picke by four annual instalments of £30 commencing 10 April 1644. My sister Elizabeth Picke shall have all profits of my said house for two years and my goods and in the event of her death my brother Henry. Then to my brother Thomas, viz. at Feb. 1645. My sister to have the chamber I lodge in and a chimney to be put up therein by Thomas. She to have two cows grasse for somer and four load of hay and twelve thrave of straw yearly, four measures of mault, 18 of Barley, 2 of wheate yearly, free use of the oven to bake therein, the old stable and hay bay in the barne, subject to forfeiture on marriage. To my brother Henry Picke a chest and the bed I now lye upon with its furniture also the new pareing wheelles. I give and bequeath (as Ireloomes) to my house for ever the greate brasse pan or 40s. the racke irons and tongs to be delivered to my brother Thomas on the death of my sister Elizabeth. To Anne Picke my neece daughter of Henry, 20s. To Elizabeth his daughter 20 marks, the best fether bed save one, the bullockes Marke and Merrieman and the cow Whitehorne. To William Picke of Irby 40s. out of John Harrison of Saughau's debt. To Richard Harrison of Gresby's daughter 40s. which he oweth me. To my nephew Thomas Picke of Gresby my mare and the sorrell horse. To my servant William Tyrer the cow called Lilly. To my brother Thomas Picke of Gresby all the plough geere and cart geere. No timber or trees to be cut down for two years save for house use. To John Picke of the Meoles my old suit, viz.

doublet breeches jerkin and old hatt. The rest of my wearing apparell to my brother Henry Picke. To Thomas Picke son of Henry Picke two Measures of pease and a yearling calfe. If my brother Thomas Picke want issue male then my said house and lands shall descend to my brother Henry Picke and his heirs male and he shall repay to the heirs of my brother Thomas Picke the aforesaid sum of six score pounds within four years of possession. For want of heirs male, to the heirs general of my brother Thomas Picke. My sister Elizabeth Picke to have the use of the New Orchard during her life but not to set out. The bequests of hay, grass etc. to be charged upon the field called Lillie heath. My brother Henry Picke and Elizabeth Picke executors.

William Picke (L.S.)
his marke

Witnesses: Will Rabone his marke, Lawrence Litler his marke, Will Tyrer his marke, Robt. Whitley. (The signet RW of the last witness seals the will. A contemporary copy of the will is filed with the original.)

1643 May 23. Inventory of the goods of William Picke of ffrankby, co. Chester, yeoman, by George Ball of Erbey, William Picke of the same towne, John White of Childer Thornewton, Henry White of the same towne, and William Tyrer of ffrankby, husbandman. Lill. 7. 6.

1644 August 15. Proved in the C. C. Chester, and administration granted to Henry Picke, one of the executors, power reserved to the other executor.

A.D.

1643 December 1. 19 Chas.

Will of

Thomas PICKE

In the Name of God, Amen. I Thomas Picke of Greasbye co. Chester, yeoman, sicke in body. To be buried in

the parish church or churchyard of Westkerby. To my son Thomas Picke all my right tittle clayme to one house and lands in ffrankby left unto me by my late brother William Pickp dead. To my daughter Margrett wife of Richard Harrison, 114 in his hands, a bond of £10. 16. from Robt Young of Greasby and one bill of £3. 19. due from Joane Robinson of Walleyzey, and 20s. which John Hoolton of Bevington oweth me. To my daughter Katharin wife of John Warton £8 which he oweth me and a bill of £3. 5. which Thomas Han4 oweth. To my daughter Ellen wife of Robt. Suger a bill of 20s. due from William Bennett and Thomas Hancock. To my daughter Jane a Bill of 21s. 7d. due from John Gouldsmith. 10s. apiece to my grandchildren Ann, Ellen, Robert and Elizabeth Harrison, John, Robert, Mathyas, Thomas, Joane and Mary Heves, Edward Sparke, Thomas, Ellen, John and Margery Harrison, Simon, John and Ann Warton, Francis, Hanna and John Suger, Margery and Margret Picke, and unto Thomas Warton my grandchild 20s. To the poor of the parish of WestKerby 10s. Rest and residue to my son Thomas Picke...sole executor.

Thomas Picke (L.S.)
his mark

Henry Picke oweth xijli viij^s

John Harrison of Saughau, vii

My daughter Margery, iijli vi^s viij^d

Witnesses: John Evans, Christopher Bennett.

1644 Aug. 17. Inventory by Richard Harrison, John Warton, Wil-

liam Totty, John Pemberton, includes ffoure sevl tackes of ground
for sevl tymes in being, £68. Oweing by specialty £156. 8. 11.,
oweing without specialty £43. 14. 8. No total, but about £371.

1647 May 15. Proved by the sole exor. named.

The following items are extracted from John Brownbill, West Kirby
and Hilbre (1928):

(pp. 294-5) Harrison is another surname occurring in the fines. In 1624 Richard Harrison and Anne his wife and Elizabeth, Richard's mother, sold some land to William Coventry, and afterwards they sold their messuage to William Glegg, esq.; so this may be the land which was given to endow Calday Grange School. In 1666 Robert Harrison and Ellen his wife held a tenement in Greasby. Robert made his will 7 April 1668 and it was proved a fortnight later, his wife Ellen being one executor. He names his brothers John and Richard Harrison and nephews John and Robert Harrison. He had daughters....

(Note: An abstract of this will was obtained from Chester Consistory Court, but it has no direct bearing on Richard the colonist. The daughters were Martha (wife of Robert White, Ellen, Esther, and Lydia. Three of these names were Bible names popular in Puritan families.)

(pp. 42-3) Account of the expulsion of Samuel Eaton from West Kirby about 1632. There are other references to Eaton in the book. He was presented at the bishop's court in 1628 as 'preacher' of West Kirby.

(Note: This was undoubtedly Rev. Samuel Eaton, brother of Gov. Theophilus Eaton of New Haven. Richard Harrison first appears at New Haven in 1644 when he took the oath of allegiance. Samuel Eaton was a Cambridge graduate (B.A. 1624-5) and came with his brothers to New England in 1637. He returned to England in 1640 or 1641 to procure colonists for a new settlement, but decided to remain, and became Congregational minister of Stopford and Dukinfield, Cheshire, about 1644. It is likely that Richard Harrison had had contact with Eaton in earlier years when the latter was 'preacher' at West Kirby, and it may conceivably have been his influence which led Harrison to emigrate, or at any rate to settle in the New Haven Colony of which Eaton's brother was governor.)

(pp. 330 ff.) The full subsidy of 1545, so far as legible. At Greasby were Richard Harrison, Ellen Harrison, William Harrison. No Harrison was named in the subsidies of 1581 or 1626, here printed.

(pp. 333 ff.) 'Protestation' of 1641 (in favor of Parliament) signed in West Kirby by Randall Harrison, Ja: Harrison, Tho: Harrison, Wm. Picke, and Roberte Harrison, all among the householders. Signatories to a petition in 1641 against change in church government for West Kirby parish include: Tho. Harrison sen., Tho. Harrison jun., Wm. Harrison, Rt. Harrison, Wm. Harrison, and Willm. Harrison (the surname here spelled Harisson and Harrison).

(pp. 336 ff.) Hearth Tax Return, 1674, West Kirby Parish.

Under Frankby: Thomas Pike 1 hearth
Under Grange: Richard Harrison 1 hearth (discharged)
Under Greasby: John Harrison 2 hearths
Elizabeth Harrison 1 hearth

Under West Kirby (Township): Thomas Pike 1 hearth
Robert Harrison 1 hearth discharged
Under Great Meolse: John Harrison 1 hearth
Under Little Meolse: John Harrison 1 hearth
John Harrison for Jas. Jenkinson 1 hearth
Eliz^h Harrison for Wareton's houses 1 hearth

This concludes the English records. Perhaps there are other sources which would help to make a more connected pedigree. It may be concluded that the ancestors of Richard Harrison of Branford, Conn., lived for many generations in West Kirby, particularly in the hamlet of Greasby. It is also clear from the overlapping of baptisms that there were contemporary Richard Harrisons in successive generations. The colonist Richard had sons Richard and Thomas, and daughters Ellen and Elizabeth, and perhaps other daughters. The Thomas son of Richard baptized 2 Dec. 1627 may be the son of the colonist, though the date varies by a good two years from a statement of his age made by Thomas himself. Either of two Ellens, baptized in 1630 and 1631 respectively, is suitable in age for the daughter of the colonist.

The most aggravating phase of the problem is the marriage of Richard Harrison in 1619 to Margaret Picke, and the mention of Harrison grandchildren in the will of her father, Thomas Picke. The grandchildren were named, it would seem, in groups, for first we get four Harrisons (Ann, Ellen, Robert and Elizabeth), then some Heyes grandchildren and a Sparke grandson, then four more Harrison grandchildren (Thomas, Ellen, John and Margery), then Warton, Suger and Picke grandchildren. Each of the twenty-three grandchildren was to have ten shillings, and the only grandchild named out of order or not in a group was Thomas Warton who was to have twenty shillings. In each group of Harrison grandchildren an Ellen appears, and that makes it certain that Picke had two daughters who married Harrisons. Since the will was made only a year before our Richard first is mentioned in Connecticut records, and a Richard Harrison was one of those who took the inventory in 1644, it seems rather doubtful whether Picke's son-in-law was the Richard who emigrated.

Of course both Harrison sons-in-law may have been named Richard, but we do not know that. Two of the four names in each group of grandchildren bore the same names as children of the emigrant Richard. One serious obstacle to believing that the wife of our Richard was any daughter of Thomas Picke is the fact that Richard's son Richard, jr., was not named in either group of Harrison grandchildren. On the other hand, despite the large number of grandchildren named, we do not know that it is a complete list, and one or more grandchildren may have

omitted from the small legacy which the others were to receive. Hence no certain conclusion can be reached either way on the basis of present knowledge.

Whether the Pikes are ancestral to many Americans or not, we hope that readers will enjoy, as the writer does, the will of Thomas Picke's bachelor or widower brother, William Picke, for the picture it gives of life in an English hamlet at the period when the founders of New England embarked on their great adventure. To perplexed and harrassed souls of our day, it reads like a document out of an age of innocence, an idyl of Arcady. The bullocks Mark and Merriman, the cows named Whitehorn and Lilly; the great brass pan which was to be an "ireloome" to his house forever; his old suit consisting of doublet, breeches, jerkin and old hat; the careful provision for the maiden sister—not only was she to have William's own chamber in the house, but the brother and chief heir was ordered to put up a chimney for her comfort. It would seem that William had been satisfied to sleep in an unheated chamber himself, but Elizabeth feels the chill of the raw English winter. And she is to have grass and hay for her two cows, and malt, barley and wheat, and free use of the oven to bake her bread.

The real estate was to go, by English usage, to the elder brother and his male heirs; failing male heirs, then to the younger brother and his male heirs; and failing heirs male of either brother, then to the heirs general of the elder brother. These were people who lived close to the soil and who drew their sustenance and their security from it. The perpetuity of the family was based on land ownership and keeping the land in possession of the family; when land could not be acquired, on the privilege of renting the same farm generation after generation from the manorial lord.

The household furnishings and utensils were simple, perhaps crude, but costly and to be valued. Timber on the land, as the will indicates, was to be conserved and not overcut. Conditions of life were hard, but the social system was stable and afforded security. And yet many Englishmen of William Picke's class, and some from his own hamlet, pinpricked by "subsidy" taxes and goaded by restrictions on their liberty, chose to abandon this security. They sought the opportunity to set up their own institutions and to improve, if possible, their economic lot by their own initiative. They placed liberty ahead of security.

In this they were wise, for security is largely chimerical and theirs could be overturned by poor crops, by plague epidemics, by a hundred factors. This side of the grave, security cannot be won. But liberty can be lost.

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